

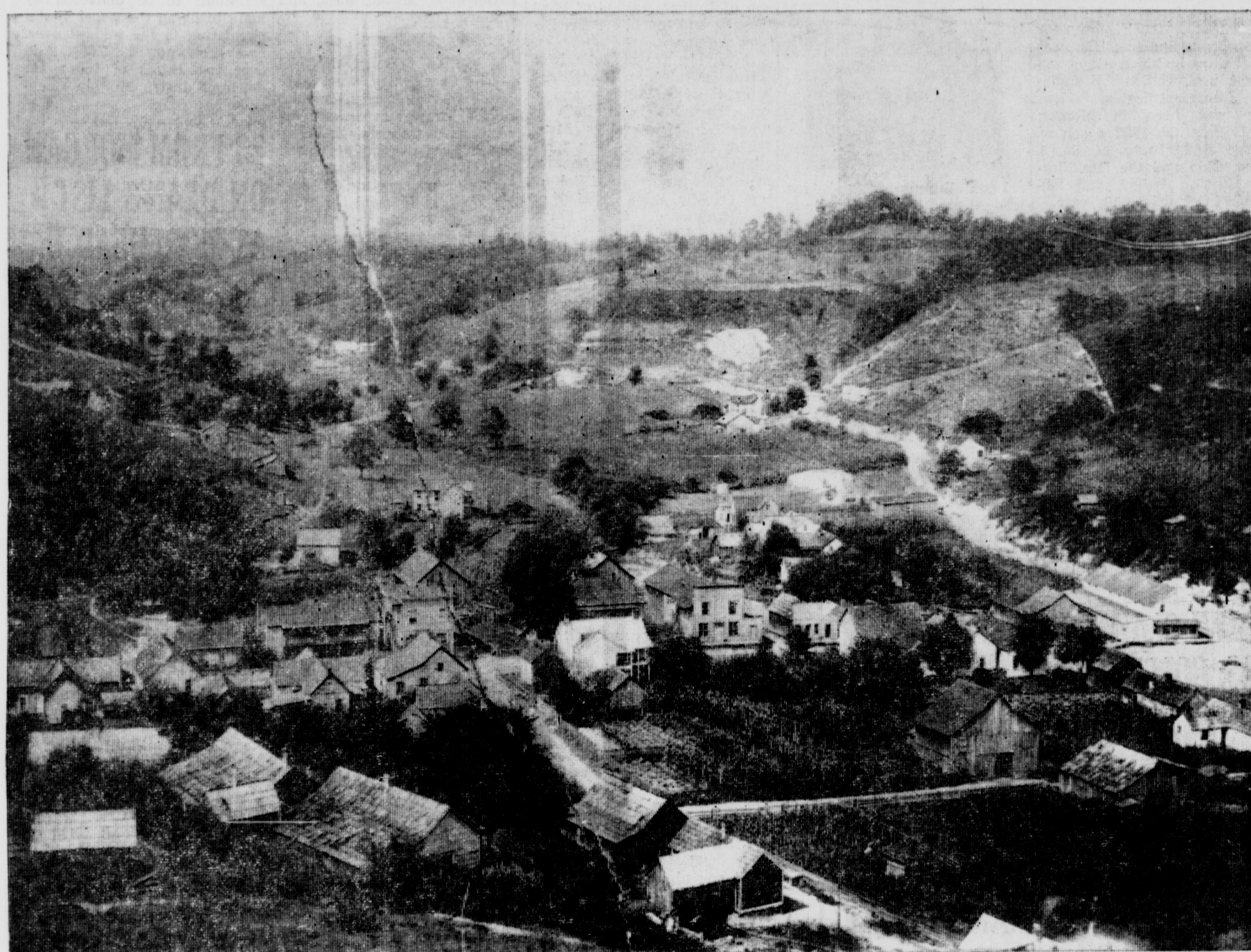
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Some older readers in the Caney Valley area will remember this scene. It is the Village of Caney, Kentucky as it appeared in 1901, shortly before the old O&K Railroad was built down Caney Creek. The view is looking up Caney Creek toward Cannel City. A thriving community, Caney in 1901 contained a number of stores, a hotel, a bank, a doctor's office and a dentist's office, a sawmill, and even a soap factory, according to older citizens. Rev. Wardie Craft of Caney found the photo while going through some old papers of historical interest be-

longing to the late Mrs. Smith Adams. Mrs. Adams was a Loy and her father operated a sawmill in Caney at the time the photo was made. The photo, slightly larger than postcard size, was copied and enlarged by West Liberty photographer Lanny Franklin, who submitted a copy for our use. The Courier welcomes comments from readers who may be able to identify some of the buildings in the photo.

REP. CARL PERKINS CONGRATULATES PHONE CO-OP FOR IMPROVEMENTS

First DDD Call From
Wolfe Placed By Supt.
Rose To Rep. Perkins

Direct Distance Dialing became a reality for Wolfe County subscribers of the Mountain Rural Telephone Cooperative last Wednesday.

The new service became operative at 9 a.m. Tuesday, allowing subscribers in the Campton and Hazel Green Exchanges to place long-distance phone calls without the assistance of an operator and thus at a cheaper rate.

Placing the first direct distance call from Campton was Wolfe County School Superintendent Frank Rose, whose call was placed directly to Wash-

ington, D. C. to the office of 7th District Congressman Carl D. Perkins.

Perkins, long a supporter of the Rural Electrification Administration as a method of bettering the lives of rural Americans, chatted with Supt. Rose and officials of the telephone cooperative, congratulating the Cooperative on its successful efforts to improve its service.

The direct distance dialing service is part of a \$1 million upgrading program made possible for the Cooperative through REA loans.

Mountain Rural, which serves 6,001 telephone subscribers in Wolfe, Morgan, Elliott, and Menifee Counties, will provide direct distance dialing to the remainder of its subscribers later this year.

BURLEY INCOME TO \$2,181,659.55

Morgan County's cash income from last year's burley tobacco crop rose to \$2,181,659.55 this week, on the basis of tobacco checks clearing through the Commercial Bank of West Liberty.

This compares to a total of \$2,256,055.42 for the entire selling season last year.

All burley markets closed last week. However, a cleanup sale was held in Lexington Wednesday of this week.

FOOD PROCESSING FIRM SEEKS TOMATO GROWERS

MT. STERLING, Ky. — Farmers of Montgomery and several adjoining counties have been offered an opportunity to grow tomatoes for the Hunt Wesson Foods, Inc., one of the nation's largest food processing industries. A meeting to explain the project in terms of acreage, contracts, prices, etc. was held in Mt. Sterling Tuesday evening.

Bank To Close On Saturday Except For Drive-In Window

Beginning this Friday and Saturday, Feb. 5 and 6, the Commercial Bank will resume its schedule of longer banking hours on Friday and closing on Saturdays. Drive-in window service, however, will continue to be provided to the bank customers on Saturday's from 8:30 a.m. until 11 a.m.

Banking hours this Friday and Saturdays hereafter will be from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. The bank will be closed Saturdays except for drive-in window service.

Banking hours for the remaining days of the week will remain the same — 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

CONTRIBUTES TO ELD. DAN'L WILLIAMS FUND

Contributions made this week to the Daniel Williams Memorial Fund include Verner Benton of Cannel City, \$1.00.

Forbidden fruit is responsible for many a bad jam.

Commercial Bank

Announces that, commencing Saturday, Feb. 6, the bank will remain open Friday evenings until 6 p.m. and that the bank's drive-in window will be open Saturday mornings from 8:30 until 11 a.m.

Prayer Breakfast Planned By Group

The Morgan County Ministerial Association is sponsoring a series of monthly prayer breakfasts for men, to be held at the various churches. The February men's fellowship and prayer breakfast will be held Saturday, Feb. 6 at 7:30 a.m. in the Christian Church in West Liberty. It is an endeavor to bring men together for a meal, fellowship and prayer, and should prove a rich and profitable movement. So men, do your best to attend, says the Ministerial Association.

DEEP TEST OIL WELL AT MOON PAST 8,000 FT.

Drillers are down past the 8,000 foot level in Monitor Petroleum Corporation's deepest test well near Moon, and drilling is continuing normally, it was learned this week.

The well is being drilled with a rotary rig on the Fred Isom farm on Dock Isom Creek, about three-fourths of a mile north of Moon post office.

Bink Strickland, Monitor's division engineer, said his company plans to drill to the basement rock, possibly as deep as 9,500 feet.

The well at Moon is Monitor's second deepest test in Eastern Kentucky. The company drilled to the 9,700 foot level at Stevens in eastern Elliott county, and reportedly got a good gas well in the St. Peter at 4,600 feet and fair oil production in a section of the Rome at a deeper level.

The well in Morgan is being drilled as a "tight hole" meaning that no information of production will be released. However, it is rumored by residents of the area that drillers hit a good flow at about 4,700 feet, and have big oil at a lower level.

COUNCIL MEET DELAYED

February meeting of the West Liberty city council was postponed from the regular meeting date Monday night because three of the councilmen were in Florida — Mack Lewis, Oscar Pelfrey and James Elam.

CORRECTION

The author of the poem, "His Home," which appeared in the Jan. 28 edition of The Courier, was Ida Lewis Hamilton of Shelby, Ohio instead of Ida Lewis of Hamilton, Ohio.

HEART FUND CAMPAIGN UNDERWAY; MRS. PERRY NAMES COMMITTEE CHM.

County's Goal Is
\$2,000; Cardiac
Device Is Eyed

Mrs. James R. Perry, chairman of the 1971 Morgan County Heart Fund, this week announced the names of committee chairmen who will help with the annual February campaign.

They are — Mrs. Wayne Webb, city chairman; Joe Lykins, rural chairman; Miss Mary Ann Foudray, Heart Sunday chairman; Dr. M. L. Peyton, business gifts chairman, and Stanley Franklin, Wayne Webb, and Lanny Franklin, business gifts committee; Henry Lowell Allen, Coffee Day chairman; Wendell Sherman, school chairman; Miss Theresa Rowland, special events chairman, and Alden Collins, treasurer.

Morgan Countians last year contributed \$1,650.28 to the Heart Fund Drive. This year's goal, Mrs. Perry said, is \$2,000.

The Heart Fund Campaign will be conducted throughout February, reaching its climax with a residential visitation on the weekend of Heart Sunday, Feb. 21.

Mrs. Perry pointed out that while 53 per cent of all deaths in this nation are caused by heart and blood vessel diseases, dramatic progress has been made treatment of heart attack victims since the onset of massive research programs begun in 1950.

The Heart Association has estimated that an additional 50,000 lives could be saved if all hospitalized heart attack victims could receive specialized coronary care service. Many irregularities of the heart which occur before a heart attack can now be corrected by new electronic devices, new drugs, and techniques.

Mrs. Perry points out that Morgan County citizens are not fortunate enough to have access to specialized cardiac care devices and techniques. However, she is hopeful that through generous giving Morgan Countians may be able to obtain through the Heart Association electronic equipment needed to prevent deaths by heart attacks.

"With the realization of our new hospital, some of these needs will be met," said Mrs. Perry. "However, it is my hope that through our generous donations we may be able to obtain emergency electronic cardiac care equipment for the hospital. Because of the long

distance from West Liberty to a coronary care unit it would be an invaluable asset to our hospital."

"I have submitted a request to the Heart Association for such a device, so this gives me added incentive to work very hard for the Heart Fund and Morgan County," Mrs. Perry continued. "The equipment could save the lives of many of our people. Because of our past generosity in giving, I feel sure we will be considered for such a device if the money is available."

"The idea," she concluded, "is let's help the Heart Fund so the Heart Fund can help us."

PEANUT LEAGUE BASKETBALL PGM. ORGANIZED IN MORGAN COUNTY

BY RICHARD JETT

Ten little league basketball teams, involving about 150 boys, have been organized in Morgan County. Morgan County Elementary and West Liberty Elementary combined have six teams with Cannel City fielding two and Wrigley and Crockett one team each. Each team will play each of the other teams one time for a nine game schedule.

Below is a list of the teams, coaches and sponsors:

Cannel City Eagles, Steele Eagle, coach, sponsored by Licking Valley R.E.C.C.

Cannel City Hawks, Vernon Lindon, coach, sponsored by Riverside Motors & The Freezer Fresh.

Crockett Cubs, Cortis Blanton, coach, sponsored by Gregory Lumber Company.

Wrigley Kittens, Ronnie DeHart, coach, sponsored by Wrigley School.

The Crickets, Marling Pott-

er, coach, sponsored by Potter Funeral Home.

The Mud Hens, Jimmy Henry, coach, sponsored by The His & Her Shop.

The Lions, Jack Cline coach, sponsored by French Cline Insurance Agency.

The Bats, Barry Bradley, coach, sponsored by Morgan Loan Company.

The Spiders, Wayne Webb, coach, sponsored by Mountain Rural Telephone Coop.

The Cobras, Jimmy Adkins, coach, sponsored by Morgan Tire Co. Resvie Wheeler and Richard Jett.

Much interest in the league has already been demonstrated as well over 100 spectators observed the opening games played at the MCHS gym last week. The teams practice on Monday and Tuesday nights and play on Wednesdays and Thursdays. All teams played their first game on January 27.

In games played at the MCHS gym, the Crickets out-jumped the Mud Hens 18-16, the Spiders defeated the Cobras, 28-27, and the Bats swatted the Lions 16-14.

The Kittens defeated the Eagles in a game at Wrigley, 52-9, and the Hawks downed the Cubs, 41-12, in the other league game at Crockett.

All teams are composed of Morgan County boys in grades 4-8. Each team has twelve new uniforms that were purchased by the sponsors. Basketball fans are invited to attend the games and see the stars of tomorrow in action.

Hospital Bonds Sold at 5.55% Interest to Cincinnati Firm

BLUE DEVILS PLAY AT HOME FRIDAY NIGHT

The Morgan County High Blue Devils, still looking for a victory after dropping their last six encounters, will tangle with Grayson Prichard at 8 p.m. Friday at the MCHS gym.

The Devils lost narrowly Friday night to Olive Hill, a team which trounced them earlier in the season, and dropped another bout Tuesday evening to Johnson Central. Both games were at home.

The Devils' win-loss record is now 7-8.

4 INCHES OF SNOW SUB ZERO TEMPS. CLOSE SCHOOLS

Four inches of snow which fell here Saturday and Sunday night brought hazardous driving conditions throughout the county and the area and closed schools in this and surrounding counties.

Morgan County schools were closed at noon last Thursday following a two-inch snowfall and remained closed this week as a result of Saturday's snow which was accompanied by sub-zero temperatures.

The temperature Sunday morning dipped to 7 above zero at West Liberty, and according to Arnold Helton, local weather recorder for the U. S. Weather Bureau, climbed to only 20 Sunday afternoon.

Helton recorded four below zero Monday morning with a high of only 18, and the temperature dropped to 7 below zero Tuesday morning with an afternoon high of 27.

A warning trend yesterday brought an inch of new snow, followed by freezing rain, and schools in Morgan County remained closed today.

While highway department crews kept main thoroughfares open many rural roads remained extremely icy and dangerous through Wednesday.

VFW To Host Dist. Meet On Sunday

The Herman Volney Nickell Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars will host the VFW's 13th District meeting at the local post at Index Sunday, Feb. 7, at 1 p.m. All VFW members and their families are invited to attend the dinner meeting.

NO ACTION TAKEN ON CHAIN'S BID TO OPERATE HOSP

The Morgan County Fiscal Court at a meeting Monday took no action on a contract submitted several weeks ago by Appalachian Regional Hospitals, Inc. by which the Lexington-based hospital chain would assume operation of the soon-to-be built West Liberty Area Hospital.

The court, however, did accept a Cincinnati firm's bid for \$425,000 in voter-approved county hospital bonds (see story elsewhere).

County Judge Gene Allen said he wants to get certain aspects of the contract with the hospital chain clarified before it is signed.

The fiscal court agreed sometime ago to contract with ARH to operate the new 50-bed facility. Judge Allen said a meeting with ARH officials has been scheduled later this month to iron out the matter.

EZEL COMMUNITY CLUB NAMES NEW OFFICERS FOR 71

The Ezel Community Club was re-organized at a dinner meeting held at the community center on the first Monday in January. Elected to serve as president for 1971 was Carter Murphy. John Oldfield, Jr. was elected vice president, and Curt Jackson was elected treasurer.

During the past few months, the Community Club, which is aided by the Northeast Area Development (OEO) Council office in West Liberty, has brought and installed floor covering for three rooms of the Community Center. The club also furnishes electricity and heating fuel for the center.

Organization of a community fire department has been one of the club's long standing goals and a community fire truck has been purchased, placed in running order, and is now ready for painting.

Another popular project is the Sewing Club of which Mrs. Lula Jackson is chairman. The sewing club meets each week on Thursdays to sew and have potluck dinner together. Many of the items made by the ladies have been sold by the club at the Craft Output Store at Carter Caves with the receipts being used to help sponsor the club and purchase material.

Items made or being made by the seamstresses include: crocheted vests, quilts, crocheted beanies, hand embroidered tote bags, and other clothing of a more practical nature.

The Kennedy Library also provides a lending service for books at the Community Center.

ATTORNEY FILES MOTION FOR BOND FOR HIBBENS HERE

Mrs. Cassie Allen, Prestonsburg attorney filed a motion with Morgan County Circuit Clerk Walter Franklin here Tuesday for a writ of habeas corpus for the release of Wesley Hibbens under bond.

Hibbens has been held in jail here since his arrest, along with Earl Ray Perkins, on the night of Jan. 17, and is charged with willful murder in connection with the beating death of Mrs. Rissie Steele Day, 75, at her country home near West Liberty earlier that day.

Perkins, also charged with willful murder in the death of the elderly Morgan widow, is being held in jail at Winchester.

Both were denied bail at their examining trials here Tuesday of last week.

Circuit Judge Major Gardner has set a hearing on Hibbens' motion for Friday at 1:30 p.m. in the circuit courtroom here.

\$425,000 Issue To Finance Local Share Of Area Hospital

W. D. Gradison & Company and Associates of Cincinnati was successful bidder for the purchase of Morgan County's \$425,000 voted bonds for a hospital at an average interest rate of 5.55 percent.

Bids were opened at a meeting of the Morgan Fiscal Court here Monday. There were two other bidders — Chas. A. Hinch and Company of Cincinnati at 6 percent, and the Commercial Bank of West Liberty and UMIC of Memphis at 5.997 percent.

Proceeds from the sale of bonds will be used as the county's local share of financing construction of the \$1,344,000 area hospital at West Liberty.

The bonds were authorized by a vote of the citizens of Morgan county at the November 1968 will draw 5.5 percent interest, tax free, and are to be issued in denomination of \$5,000.

They will mature on January 1 and July 1 of each year through the year 1991. Bonds maturing from 1972 through 1984 will draw 5.25 percent interest; bonds between 1985 through 1988 will draw 5.5 percent interest, bonds maturing between 1989 through 1991 will draw 5.75 percent. This averages 5.55 percent for the full issue, as bid in by the Cincinnati financial institution.

Total interest cost will amount to \$296,269.45 for full issue. Interest is to be paid semi-annually.

The bond market has improved considerably since the Fiscal Court ordered the bonds issued, as reflected by the low interest of 5.55 percent bid by the Cincinnati firm.

Contract for constructing the area hospital already has been let to Frederick & May Construction Co. of West Liberty on its bid of \$1,344,000, and groundbreaking took place late in December at the site on Wells Hill opposite the business section of West Liberty.

Remainder of the construction cost was obtained in grants from two federal agencies — \$596,667 from the Hill-Burton Fund, and \$464,000 from the Appalachian Regional Commission, and from local cash contributions.

JURORS DRAWN FOR COURT HERE

Names of citizens drawn from the jury wheel to serve as jurors during the February term of Morgan Circuit Court which will be convened Monday, Feb. 15, were announced as follows this week by Circuit Clerk Walter Franklin —

Oscar Caskey, West Liberty; Mrs. Oscar Caskey, City; Caskey Helton, Maytown; Christine Patrick, Ezel; Cassie Hammond, Cottle; W. W. Perry, Vocum; Mrs. Susie Owens, City; H. B. McClure, Rt. 1; City; Christine Clevenger, Rt. 1; H. H. Holliday, White Oak; Emma Spurlock, City; Doris Caskey, City; Anna Pearl Biggsby, Rt. 3; Guffery Conley, Dingus; Alfred Maloney, Maytown; Curt Jackson, Maytown; Myrtle Williams, Rt. 3; Perry Rt. 1; Hazel Steele, Malone; Grace Cisco, Wrigley; Frank Blevins, Rt. 2; Earl Adkins, Elkfork; Gordon Rudd, Maytown; Mary May, City; Henry Sexton, Rt. 2; Noah Flam, Index; Virgil Clevenger, Rt. 1; Buck Evans, Rt. 1; Bronson Phinns, Caney; Eva Elliott, West Liberty; Herbert Taulbee, Maytown; Stanley Haney, Florress; Orpha Hamilton, Cottle; Ova Maxey, Rt. 3; Oscar Smith, Rt. 3; Mervil Lewis, Rt. 2; Estill Leach, Ezel; Ralph McKinney, Rt. 1; Zulus Lewis, Rt. 2; Woodford Cox, Rt. 1; Elie McGuire, Ezel; Roy Murphy, Ezel; Joe Carpenter, Rt. 1; Dorothy Perkins, City; E. B. Cottle, City; A. O. Cantrell, Onbir, Florence McKenzie, City; Leslie Morgan, Blaze; Martin Lewis, Caney; Roy Benton, Caney; Edgar Wells, City; Claude Peyton, Rt. 2; Mrs. Tom Wells, City; Raymond Benton, Caney; Bobby Legg, Rt. 3; Arnold McClure, Rt. 2; Nannie Benton, Caney; Powell Henry, Rt. 1; Steve Bartley, Ezel.

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COUNTY-BY-COUNTY BREAKDOWN ON CRIME TO BE PUBLISHED BY KSP

Report To Detail Inroads Made By Crime In Each Co.

BY LEONARD N. KIMBALL
FRANKFORT, Ky. — Unlikely as it may sound, police in Kentucky are collaborating on a paperback whodunit which has all the earmarks of becoming the best-read edition ever to roll off the presses here.

Called, simply enough, Kentucky's 1970 Uniform Crime Report, it is scheduled for release sometime in July and promises to make fascinating reading. Everything from murder and robbery to vagrancy and commercialized vice will be statistically dissected within its covers.

Public Safety Commissioner William O. Newman, its publisher, said the report is unique in that it will give Kentuckians their first really accurate — and detailed — accounting of the inroads which crime has made into each of the state's 120 counties.

"With this sort of information at our fingertips, both lawmakers and police will be able, for the first time, to realistically assess the true extent of the problem facing Kentucky and establish the kind of priorities best designed to do something about it," he said.

In years past, the only statewide crime figures available on Kentucky were compiled by the FBI and reported an-

nually in their national uniform crime reports.

According to Newman, however, the FBI summary fell short of presenting a complete picture, "partly because all police in Kentucky were not furnishing statistical crime data to the FBI to include a detailed study of individual states, area by area, in their report anyway."

Current planning calls for the first annual report to come out with a county-by-county breakdown of Kentucky's total crime picture plus separate analyses of the state's eight largest population centers. Under consideration is a proposal to include individual studies of other smaller communities as well.

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Callis Ison, 49, Relief, died at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in a physician's office following an apparent heart attack.

Born April 26, 1921, at Moon, he was a son of Hammie and Florence Hutchinson Ison. He was a veteran of World War II and a member of DAV Chapter 18, Paintsville.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are his wife, Mrs. Angie Holbrook Ison; three daughters, Floetta Fraley of Gary, Ind., Cheryl Mays of Morehead, and Pauline Ison at home; a son, Philip Ison, at home; three grandchildren and four brothers, Dewey and Avery Ison, both of Hammond, Ind., Roger Ison of Moon, and Dallas Ison of Lexington.

Funeral services were at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Old Paint Primitive Baptist Church by Elders Addie Ferguson, Robie Ferguson, Carl Keeton and Parley Cantrell. Burial in the family cemetery at Moon with Herald and Stewart Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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OBITUARY

ADKINS

Willard Harold Adkins was born to Luther and Pearl DeHart Adkins, January 12, 1928, at West Liberty, Kentucky, and departed this life on January 29, 1971, in Columbus, Ohio at Grant Hospital at the age of 43 years. Mr. Adkins had lived in Mansfield, Ohio for the past 24 years.

Mr. Adkins was a moral, honest and good husband and father. He found the Bible a solution to all his problems. He was a good neighbor and labored hard for his family. He had many friends and was liked by all. He leaves to mourn his loss his wife, Sarah, a daughter, Patricia Ann, one son, Russell Wayne both at home, his father, Luther Adkins of West Liberty; two brothers, Emory Adkins of Owensville, Ky.; Clarence Adkins of Dayton, Ohio; seven sisters, Mae Fraley of Morehead, Ky.; Vada Holbrook of Columbus, Ohio; Christine Lewis of Gary, Indiana; Lena Elliott of Mt. Sterling, Ky.; Edna Densford of Los Angeles, Calif.; Marie Litteral of West Liberty, Ky.; and Margaret Howell of Dayton, Ohio, also a host of other friends and relatives.

We feel our loss is Heaven's gain and he will rest with our Lord through eternity. (pd.)

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MORGAN NATIVE DIES OF FUMES IN TRUCK'S CAB

James Bailey, 48, of Pedro, Ohio and a native of Morgan County, was found dead Friday, Jan. 29 at a truck stop near Greensburg, Indiana. He was found dead in his truck of apparent asphyxiation by fumes from a charcoal heater.

He was born in Morgan county Aug. 26, 1822 a son of George Bailey now of Rt. 1, Pedro, Ohio and the late Florence Keeton Bailey, and had been a truck driver 13 years.

Funeral was Monday at the home in Pedro by Rev. Clay Faches and burial was in the Bailey family cemetery near Pedro.

He attended Pedro High School and was a member of the Moose Lodge at Ironton and Southern Ohio Sportsman Club. Other survivors include his wife, Mrs. Dora Lee Broughton Bailey; a son, George Edward Bailey of Pedro Rt. 1; three daughters, Miss Becky Bailey of Pedro Rt. 1, Mrs. Kootsie Knapenberger of Wheelersburg, Ohio, and Mrs. Marcella Lykins of Dayton, Ohio; a brother, Clifford Bailey of Ironton; two sisters, Mrs. Garnett Kelley and Mrs. Ruby Glaxner of Pedro Rt. 1.

DEATH CLAIMS MRS. COLLINS, 89

Mrs. Vyaney Arnett Bayes Collins, 89, died at 4 p.m. Friday, Jan. 29, at Good Samaritan Hospital at Lexington, following an extended illness.

Born Oct. 20, 1881, in Macgoffin County, she was a daughter of the late J. L. and Little Arnett Bayes. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

Surviving are five daughters, Mae Williams and Marie McAllister, both of Middletown, O.; Delphia Sebastian of Cincinnati, O.; Wilma Crawford of West Palm Beach, Fla.; and Loretta Little of Malone; a brother, Hiram Bayes of Jackson; 15 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Redeemed Baptist Church at Caney. Burial was in the Insko Cemetery. Potter Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

C. T. CARPENTER, MORGAN NATIVE, DIES IN CALIF.

Clay Thomas Carpenter, 80, a former Morgan Countian, died in a Los Angeles Calif. nursing home Saturday, Jan. 30, following a long illness.

Born Jan. 9, 1891, at Elder, Ky., he was a son of the late Cudford F. and Barbara Ellen McGuire Carpenter.

He is survived by one sister, Ida Leach of Ezel; two brothers, Paris Carpenter of Nevada, Mo. and Ova Carpenter of Middletown, Ohio, and three generations of fond nieces and nephews.

Mr. Carpenter left Morgan County in his youth and migrated west. He was a resident of California for some 50 years and watched Los Angeles grow from a small southwestern town to be one of the nation's largest cities. He worked as a tree surgeon until his retirement 15 years ago.

Funeral and burial were in California.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of our beloved Father and Grandfather LEXIE CECIL MCKINNEY who passed away 3 years ago today, January 29, 1968.

To my Daddy in Heaven. Daddy do you know how we miss you here?

How our loss sometimes, seems too hard to bear? Your face is as haunting as ever, And your voice we long to hear. And at home where you would greet us, with a great big smile and a twinkle in your eye. It will be lonesome, Daddy, for a long, long while. That old house echoes, with an emptiness. It too seems to share in our loneliness.

The chair where you sat, its empty too. I wonder, Daddy, if it misses you. So often we tread the path, that leads us to your grave. And talk of the one we loved so well, but could not save. Sadly Missed by Daughter and Granddaughter. (Pd.)

"Pants are Vital to a Wardrobe."—Headline of ad. Yes, indeed, they certainly are—especially in winter.

MCHS BOOSTER OF THE WEEK



Leon Lumpkins, a junior, was selected MCHS Booster of the Week for Jan. 5-9. Leon is a manager for the basketball team and was selected as Booster of the Week by faculty and students for his efforts to boost school spirit. He is organizer and leader of "Lipsie's Loud Mouths," who help lead cheering at home basketball games.

MITES HELD FOR VANCE CHILD

Funeral services for Jerry L. Vance, three-year-old son of Gerald G. and Delores Howard Vance of Goshen, Ind. were held at 2 p.m. Monday at the Herald and Stewart Funeral Home Chapel by Rev. Eugene Hancey.

The child died in a Goshen hospital Friday, Jan. 29.

Surviving in addition to his parents is a brother, Robert Wayne Vance, at home.

Interment was in the Walnut Grove Cemetery at Stacy Fork with Herald and Stewart Funeral Home in charge.

MORGAN NATIVE NANNIE NICKELL DIES IN DAYTON

Mrs. Nannie Nickell, 79, Dayton, Ohio, a former resident of Morgan County, died Saturday in Dayton.

Born June 28, 1891, she was a daughter of the late Granville and Lou Ellen Bush Taubee.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Bertha Ismael of Mt. Sterling, Mrs. Pauline Elam of Dayton, and Mrs. Dorothy Prater of Cincinnati; five sons, James Nickell of Camel City, Herman Nickell, in Florida, Herbert and Ralph Nickell, both of Detroit, Mich., and Bernie Nickell of Dayton, and a brother, Sam Taubee of Insko.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Amey Church at Insko. Burial in the Burton Cemetery at Camel City with Herald and Stewart Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

"Men judge women by what they refrain from saying," says a psychologist. Well, well; no wonder we men can't understand these strange and lovely creatures!



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"THE COMMUNITY MINDED COOPERATIVE"

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WILLARD ADKINS PASSES IN OHIO

Willard H. Adkins, 43, a former resident of Morgan County, died Friday, Jan. 29, in a hospital at Mansfield, Ohio.

Born Jan. 1, 1928, he was a son of Luther Adkins of West Liberty and the late Pearl Dehart Adkins.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Sarah Adkins, a daughter, Miss Patricia Adkins, and a son, Russell Adkins both at home; six sisters, Mrs. Mary Fraley of Morehead, Mrs. Lena Elliott of Mount Sterling, O.; Mrs. Vada Holbrook of Columbus, O.; Mrs. Edna Densford of N. Hollywood, Calif.; Mrs. Christine Lewis of Gary, Ind.; and Mrs. Marie Litteral of West Liberty; a half-sister, Mrs. Margaret Howell of Dayton, O.; a brother, Emory Adkins of Owensville, and a half-brother, Clarence Adkins of Fairborn, O.

Funeral services were conducted at 1 p.m. Monday at the Potter Funeral Home at West Liberty. Burial was in the family cemetery near here. Potter Funeral Home was in charge.

WHITE OAK

By Mrs. James Lacy

Feb. 1 — Mr. and Mrs. James Lacy and Diana Potter visited Mr. and Mrs. Larry Joe Lacy and Vickie of Jones Creek one day last week.

Mrs. Woodrow Bradley of Lexington spent Sunday night with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Joe Lacy and Vickie.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lacy and George Stewart visited Mr. and Mrs. Mort Carpenter and family one day last week.

Tomnie Potter and Earnie Adams visited Cletis Potter one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lacy spent one night last week with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Henry and Winford. Mrs. Henry remains about the same.

Get well wishes go to Darrell Hail and Miss Eula Prater, who are in a Lexington Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Joe Lacy and Vickie visited your writer one evening last week.

Diana Potter spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Mike Wells and family of Licking River.

Wendell Fraley spent Thursday night with Cletis Potter.

Saturday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Lacy, Cletis and Diana Potter were Mr. and Mrs. Larry Joe Lacy and Vickie and Jeff Brown.

Pvt. Johnny Price of Fort Knox spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Price of White Oak.

Pvt. Johnny Price and Philip Lykins visited Cletis Potter and the James Litterals Saturday evening.

Leonard Salyers, who has spent some time in Franklin, Ohio with his son has returned home.

Your writer visited Mr. and Mrs. Ben Allen one evening last week.

Build and borrow, a sackful of sorrow. —Germany

OBSERVATIONS AND PREDICTIONS

NIXON VS. MUSKIE — The latest Harris Poll shows voters' preference as follows: Nixon 40%, Muskie 43%, and Wallace 11%.

WATERWAYS PLANNING — The President's budget submitted this week asks for \$27.8 million for water resource development projects in Kentucky. Largest single request is \$7,167,000 for Cave Run Reservoir construction on Lick River, up slightly from the Public Works Committee's figure.

Next biggest is \$3 million for Laurel River Reservoir, and \$3,585,000 for Carr Fork Reservoir. Other construction monies were for flood control projects at Martin on Beaver Creek \$85,000; Martin's Fork Reservoir \$400,000, and Red River Reservoir \$300,000.

The figure for Red River's dam, to be built at a down-river site from the original plan, is less than that asked by the Public Works Committee. A meeting is to be held in Frankfort in about three weeks by the Corps of Engineers to determine the reservoir heights in Red River. Conservationists are still concerned about the water level, which will determine how much of the gorge will be flooded.

HILL TEACHER PUBLISHES BOOK — A collection of ten chorale numbers titled "Voices of Appalachia" arranged by Abner Greider, music professor at Alice Lloyd College at Pippa Passes, is to be published soon in paperback by Pro Arts, Inc. of New York. It will include ballads and hymns he has written or arranged for Alice Lloyd College choir, which he has directed since 1962.

SOCIAL SECURITY INCREASE — Democrats have proposed a 10% increase in social security benefits for the new fiscal year, and President Nixon has countered with a proposal for a 6% increase in his budget message last week. So social security

beneficiaries can look for another increase soon, maybe not 10% but maybe a little more than 6%. And the increase may be retroactive to Jan. 1, 1971 in order to cover cost-of-living increases in recent months.

MORE NEW SUBSCRIPTIONS — The Courier received during January a total of 57 new subscriptions to be delivered by mail, bringing the paper's total circulation to the highest ever. Press run now is 3,800. And over two thirds of these are delivered inside Morgan County.

23 FROM MORGAN ON DEAN'S LIST AT MOREHEAD U.

MOREHEAD, Ky. — Morehead State University's fall semester Dean's List recorded the names of 1,477 persons, including 23 students from Morgan County.

To be eligible for Dean's List recognition at MSU, a full-time student must compile at least a 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 (A) scale.

Named from Morgan County were:

WEST LIBERTY — Johnny Dale Allen, 3.77; Rhonda Gay Blair, 3.00; Walter Bevins, Jr., 3.75; Marvin Ray Burton, 3.00; Roy Collett, 4.00; Larry Marshall Gibson, 4.00; Sharon Gail Hammons, 3.07; Cheryl Belle Henry, 3.33; Sallie Stumbo Nickell, 3.27; Charles Michael Price, 3.06; Deborah Jean Salyers, 3.14; Otis Darrell Sanders, 3.40; Eva Karen Shaver, 3.33; Letty Watkins Whit, 3.60.

DINGUS — Jimmy Roger Daniels, 3.24.

GRASSY CREEK — Jerry Lynn Fugate, 3.50.

INDEX — Diana Jo Goodpastor, 3.75.

EZEL — Otis Murphy Lane, 3.38.

CANEY — Cheryl Elaine Morris, 3.07; Sonda Bailey Oney, 3.33.

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Four West Liberty residents went to Florida last week for a week's visit. Steve Bliffen, Ken Gary Elam and Jar-

Mr. and Mrs. Eve tin and Mr. and Mrs. Allen returned from a two week visit to Bradenton, Fla.

A. J. Herald was home Monday from a hospital where he last week for examination.

Mr. and Mrs. Elam and family of Zion returned home after a few days visit. Mrs. Minnie The Sursas were called for the funeral of her in-law, Willard Adkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Adkins and children of Florida came Wednesday last week for a visit. Mrs. Osa West Liberty, and Mrs. and Mr. Ashland.

Edward Ellis of director of the Child program, was a bus in West Liberty day.

James R. Perry, vices visitor in Frank day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. wright to Florida there they joined by Mrs. C. K. Stacy at a few days visit.

Mr. and Mrs. H. recently visited their Mr. and Mrs. Kenzie at Dayton, also with Mr. and Belcher of Miami in Ohio the Potters and Mrs. Larry spent some time Rosa McKenzie Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. moved into their home on Keeton Highway.

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Personals

Four West Liberty men went to Florida last Thursday for a week's visit — Roy, Steve Bliffen, Ken Blanton, Gary Elam and James Elam. Mr. and Mrs. Everett Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Chalmer Allen returned Tuesday from a two week's visit in Bradenton, Fla.

A. J. Herald was returned home Monday from a Lexington hospital where he was taken last week for examination and treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Surra and family of Zion, Illinois returned home Wednesday after a few days with her mother, Mrs. Minnie Johnson. The Surra's were called here for the funeral of her brother-in-law, Willard Adkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Barker and children of Ft. Pierce, Florida came Wednesday of last week for a visit to her mother, Mrs. Osa Nickell of West Liberty, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Barker of Ashland.

Edward Ellis of Frankfort, director of the Child Day Care program, was a business visitor in West Liberty, Wednesday.

James R. Perry was a business visitor in Frankfort Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Perry went to Florida last week there they joined her mother, Mrs. C. K. Stacy at Naples for a few days visit.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Potter recently visited their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Larry McKenzie at Dayton, Ohio and also with Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Belcher of Miamisburg, Ohio. Mrs. Potter, the Belchers and Mrs. Larry McKenzie spent some time with Mrs. Rosa McKenzie at Xenia, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Craft have moved into their new brick home on Keeton Heights.

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MRS. TERRY LEE TATEM

Miss Ellen Cole Taulbee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Taulbee, became the bride of Mr. Terry Lee Tatem, son of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Tatem, all of Lancaster, Kentucky, on Sunday, December 27, 1970, at 2:30 p.m. at the Lancaster Methodist Church.

The Taulbee family formerly resided in West Liberty.

The Reverend Walter Applegate performed the double ring ceremony. Music was presented by Miss Virginia Faye Griggs, organist.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white pristine peau, fashioned with an empire bodice deep oval neckline and brief puff sleeves cuffed with appliques of re-embroidered alencon lace. Motifs of lace encircled the waistline and the slender A-line skirt extended into a sweep train. Her floor-length double illusion veil was held by a peau-de-soie bonnet encrusted with pearl and crystal embroidery. She carried a bouquet of purple heather and white baby's breath.

Mrs. Howard L. Harvill of Hamilton, Ohio, was her sister's matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Gabriel U. Gabriel, Lancaster, Kentucky, and Mrs. Calvin S. Duncan, Lexington, Kentucky, also sisters of the bride.

The attendants wore identical floor-length gowns of two toned royal purple and lilac tulle, which were styled with a scoop neckline, bracelet length sleeves with royal purple under cuffs and set-in mid-riffs accented with self covered buttons and tailored back bows. They carried bouquets of purple heather and pink sweetheart roses.

Richard Tatem, Dayton, Ohio, brother of the groom, served as best man. Ushers were Larry Wolfe, Dale Green, Scott Wilson and Eric Wilson, also of Dayton, Ohio, nephews, of the groom.

ENGLE'S ANGLE



HILL POEMS FOR HILL PEOPLE

BY JOHN D. ENGLE, JR.

THE TREES AND I

Some of my dearest friends are trees, but often I am ill-at-ease

And more than a little bit distressed by the erratic way they're dressed;

For in regard to clothes and weather,

The trees and I just aren't together.

In the summer when the sun is hot,

I don't wear half the clothes

For all my furs and woolsen clothes are hidden from the hungry moths,

And I am apt to go about with a great deal of my skin side out

But at this time of sun and rose, the trees put on their heavy, leafy clothes.

And at the time of snow and ice when fires and furs seem very nice

And frigid rains go drip, drip, drip, the trees all do a thorough strip,

Then wait about upon my lawn with absolutely nothing on.

Oh, well, I guess the things I do, to them sometimes seem stupid too.

—John D. Engle, Jr., in GRIT

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Stacy Circle Of Methodist Church Holds Meeting

The Margaret Stacy Circle of the United Methodist Church met in the Wesley Room of the church Tuesday evening. Mrs. Woodrow Stamp and Mrs. Earl W. Kinner were hosts. Mrs. Robert Myer gave the devotional program which was taken from a recent issue of Upper Room.

Mrs. Henry L. Allen presented the program. It was an informal discussion where all took part by telling of religious experiences they had observed or experienced.

Refreshments of cherry pie a la mode and coffee were served at Don's Restaurant to the following:

Mrs. Drexell Vest, Mrs. Russell Brown, Mrs. Woodrow Stamp, Mrs. Stanley Gullett, Mrs. Earl W. Kinner, Mrs. Henry L. Allen, Mrs. Robert Myer, Mrs. H. B. Murray and Mrs. Gerald Amex.

WEST LIBERTY ROUTE 3

BY EULA BURKE

Jan. 12 — Willie Adkins, Route 3, West Liberty, had a water well drilled but it turned out to be gas instead. He has plenty of gas to heat his house. The drillers were Ferguson and Collier Well Drilling Company of Relief.

Dewey Burke is in the Morehead Hospital, recovering from an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Adkins, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Burke and Dickie, and Mrs. Cloma Holbrook were guests of your writer Sunday night.

Roger Ball visited Dewey Burke Sunday at the Morehead Hospital.

Arnold Adkins and boys of Fairborn, Ohio and Gary Adkins of Christiansburg, Ohio, visited Mr. and Mrs. Willie Adkins and family Saturday.

Mrs. Lenville Holbrook and Page visited her mother over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Adkins are visiting their daughters, Mrs. Floyd Wright, at Silver Hill.

Feb. 1 — Willie Adkins had gas piped into house from the big gas well on his farm, Ashland Oil of Martha, Ky., said the well had more pressure than they had seen in many years.

Eula Burke has returned home from Morehead Hospital where she had surgery.

Junior Holbrook was home over the weekend. Ricky Holbrook of Lexington, Ky., visited his grandmother, Mrs. Cloma Holbrook, over the weekend.

Paul and Carolyn Keaton went skating at Paintsville Sunday afternoon.

Dewey Burke is out of the hospital and is staying with his daughter, Manda Fannin of Ashland.

Mrs. Roger Ball and Dean and Timmie left for a week's visit in Florida with her sister, Mrs. Earnie Adkins.

James Burke had business in Morehead Thursday.

Martha Day visited your writer one day last week.

This Community "sorry to hear of Callas' son's death. Our sympathy to the family.

Dannie Keaton joined the Army. He is at Fort Knox, Ky.

STACY FORK

By Jessie E. Lewis

Feb. 1 — Canus Conley and family of Dayton, Ohio spent last weekend here with Mariah Wages and Marvin Wages.

Joyce Barber and four sons of Newhead spent Saturday, Jan. 23, with her grandmother, Barbara Haney, and her aunt, Lena Wrae Walter, and Harold.

Clarence Haney, Winston Gullett and son, Anthony, were in town Friday.

Rev. Roy Benton went to Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington Thursday of last week for a check-up. Some of his family were there to see him Friday and Saturday.

Prayer and get well wishes for Roy Benton, Gay Patrick, and Rex Lacy.

Lena Wrae Walter was in town Friday on business.

William Walter and wife, Sup. of Lexington spent Friday night with his father, Harold Walter, and Lena Wrae. They returned to Lexington Sunday.

Mariah Wages is on the sick list. Prayer and get well wishes for her.

Mrs. Homer Stacy consulted Dr. Spencer last week for severe throat trouble. At last report she was improving.

Last week of January went out with severe winter weather, with temperature standing 8 above zero Sunday morning here and 10 below zero at 6:30 this morning.

Social security benefits are not paid automatically. A claim must be filed with the social security office.

West Liberty, Ky., Feb. 4, 1971

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FOOD STAMP BUDGET FOR NEW YEAR MAY BE TOO LOW, IS AG DEPT. VIEW

WASHINGTON Jan. 30 — A \$2 billion budget proposal to operate the food stamp program next fiscal year may be a conservative estimate if a goal to add 2 million more needy persons to the rolls is reached.

Food stamp spending for the year ending June 30 will be more than \$1.5 billion. About 9.5 million persons now get the coupons, according to the Agriculture Department, and some authorities believe a million more may be added by midsummer.

Charles L. Grant, Agriculture Department finance director, says that up to 2 million more people might be added in the next fiscal year.

The food stamp program, extended and enlarged by Congress, has almost tripled in costs and people served in the past year or so.

New legislation making the program additionally attractive to welfare and low-income families was passed late last year.

CAN BE SPENT LIKE CASH

Among the changes, including a controversial work requirement for adult family members, are free food stamps for the poorest and adjustments in all benefit levels to compensate for rising costs of living.

For example, a family of four with an income of \$60 a month can purchase \$10 worth of stamps and get free bonus coupons worth \$96. This package, worth \$106 a month, can be spent like cash at food stores.

The food stamp program this fiscal year was funded at about \$1.42 billion. But participation has grown so fast that the Agriculture Department has had to ask Congress for another \$120 million to operate through June 30.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Volney McGuire wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for the kindness extended to us by our neighbors, friends, and relatives during the recent illness and death of our dear husband and father. Especially do we thank Dr. Alec Spencer for his many visits to our home and the neighbors who helped in our home. Who ones who brought food, for the beautiful floral offerings, to those who helped with the grave, the pallbearers, the many who visited us, also the minister, Rev. Robert Myner for his consoling words of comfort, Herald and Stewart Funeral Home for their kindness and help in the funeral. Your kindness and sympathy will always be remembered. May God bless you all.

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PUBLIC WORKS BUDGET REQUESTS \$1 MILLION MORE FOR KY. JOBS

BY JAMES S. TUNNELL
Courier-Journal
&
Times Staff Writer

WASHINGTON — The public-works portion of the requested federal budget, a traditional grab bag of goodies, contains about \$1 million more for Kentucky this year.

But the increase apparently is being eaten up by higher maintenance costs for existing dams and reservoirs, so funds earmarked for new construction will actually decline by more than \$1 million, to \$18.3 million.

These are the figures the Nixon administration is asking Congress to provide for the government's next fiscal year, which begins July 1. The White House made them public this week.

The requested budget for Kentucky's public-works program contains no real surprises.

Sen. John Sherman Cooper, ranking Republican member of the Senate Public Works Committee, says he has been informed by the White House that funds frozen last year on a number of Kentucky projects will all eventually be released.

Taylorsville, Paintsville, and a \$100,000 lock and dam project at Mount City five miles upstream from Cairo, Ill., will have their funds released for use in fiscal 1972.

Here is a breakdown of the requested public-works budget

for Kentucky:

- ✓Carr Fork Reservoir on the Kentucky River near Hazard nad Whitesburg, \$3.6 million, down sharply from last year.
- ✓Cave Run Reservoir on the Licking River in Bath and Rowan counties, \$7.2 million, up nearly \$1 million.
- ✓Martins Fork Reservoir on the Cumberland River above Harlan, \$400,000, up slightly.
- ✓Red River Reservoir, in Powell County, \$300,000, down slightly.
- ✓Laurel River Reservoir, on the Laurel River in White and Laurel Counties, \$6 million, up more than \$1 million.
- ✓Martin Local Protection Project, on Beaver Creek in Floyd County, \$400,000, up slightly.
- ✓Paintsville Reservoir, on Paint Creek in Johnson and Morgan counties, no new funds. Like the Taylorsville project, \$900,000 in Paintsville Reservoir funds had been frozen and now will be released.

Also included in the public works budget were \$995,000 for engineering and design studies, including \$100,000 for the Falmouth Dam on the Licking River; \$175,000 for Kehoe Reservoir on Tygart's Creek near Grayson, and \$75,000 for the Yatesville Reservoir in Lawrence County, and \$300,000 for the Red River Dam in Powell County, down slightly.

NEW POSTAL SERVICE PROPOSES HIGHER RATES FOR ALL MAIL

WASHINGTON — The U. S. Postal Service announced Tuesday proposed new rates that would substantially increase the cost of mailing letters, postcards, commercial mail, books and, especially newspapers and magazines.

The new rates, requested by the Postal Service, would raise the price of a first-class letter from 6 to 8 cents, a postcard from 5 to 7 cents and air mail from 10 to 11 cents.

The cost of second-class mail, which includes newspapers and magazines, would increase by an average of 142 per cent. However, these new rates would be phased in over five years.

The Postal Rate Commission must pass on the proposed increases within 90 days, otherwise they go into effect anyway. However, the proposed rates may be imposed temporarily at any time, pending a final decision by the PRC.

The post office department was made a self-governing business recently, and the new officials say the increased rates

will be necessary to cover its own operating costs under the provisions of the Reorganization Act.

Under the act, the Post Office Department will be converted into the U. S. Postal Service, a semi-independent public service corporation, sometime this year, probably in June.

The new rates are designed to produce and add \$1.45 billion, bringing the post office total revenue to around \$8.4 billion a year.

The new Postal Service also is considering cutting out Saturday deliveries in some sections least needing the service.

ELMER TRIPPLET DIES
Elmer G. Triplett, 59, of Webbville, died Friday, Jan. 29 at his home after suffering a heart attack. A farmer, Mr. Triplett was born near Webbville a son of Daniel and Permelia Holbrook Triplett.

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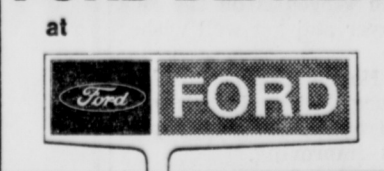


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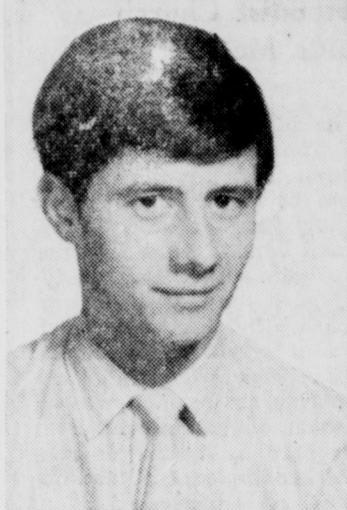
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James Allen Fugate is one of nine district winners in The Courier-Journal and Louisville Times Future Farmers of America Contest. Fugate, a senior at Ezel High School, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Lane of Ezel. As a district winner in the contest, Fugate will receive a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond. He and his parents and his agriculture teacher, Robert Cross, will be guests of honor at the annual Farm Awards Luncheon in Louisville on February 27 at which time winners in the contest will be presented their awards. Gary Dale Moore, of Shepherdsville, was the contest's top winner and will receive a \$500 Savings Bond.

MORGAN NATIVE DIES IN CHICAGO

Custer Collinsworth, 59, of Chicago, formerly of Ashland, died Tuesday, Jan. 26, in a hospital there following a brief illness.

Born Dec. 19, 1911, in Morgan County, he was a son of the late George and Sarah Collinsworth.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Marcella Collinsworth; two sisters, Mrs. Clarence Morris of Catlettsburg and Mrs. Harry Pennington of Ashland, and three brothers, Oscar and Chalmers Collinsworth, both of Ashland, and Hershell Collinsworth of Huntington.

Funeral services were conducted at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Blake and Lamb Funeral Home in Chicago. Burial in a cemetery there.

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NIXON BUDGET CALLS FOR END OF MANY DOMESTIC PROGRAMS

New Budget Would Refunnel Funds To States, Localities

In his new \$229.2 billion budget announced last week, President Nixon proposed the dismantling of many national domestic programs fostered in the Johnson and Kennedy administrations.

As proposed by President Nixon, many of the funds from these landmark Democrat programs would be funneled to state and local governments through "special revenue-sharing grants," without federal strings and rules attached. As proposed by the President, state and localities would be offered money without forcing them to come up with matching sums as required by the present programs.

Among the present domestic programs that would be scuttled if Congress gives the President his way are Model Cities, Manpower Training Services, several secondary education programs, Urban Mass Transit and Highway Beautification, the Appalachian Regional Commission,

created by the late President John F. Kennedy, and the Truman-era Urban Renewal program.

As proposed by the President, money from all other programs to be disbanded would be channeled to the states with designations that certain amounts be used for six purposes: urban community development, rural community development, education, manpower training, law enforcement, transportation.

With these specifics it would be up to the state and local officials to decide how the money should be spent.

Several key figures in both houses of Congress are flatly opposed to a no-strings-attached revenue-sharing plan and Appalachian area congressmen are deeply concerned over the proposal to scrap the Appalachian Regional Commission.

The budget proposal also calls for a sharp reduction in the Community Action Program administered by the Office of Economic Opportunity. This would be accomplished by increasing to 25 percent the local matching funds required to obtain federal funds for Community Action.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR—

PERKINS OPPOSES SCRAPPING OF APPALACHIAN COMMISSION

Conversations I have had with responsible Government officials this week lead me to the inescapable conclusion that the Administration wants to write off the Appalachian Regional Commission and abandon its program to the member states.

This is being proposed as an element of the President's plan to share federal revenues with the state governments.

The fact that the proposal is being seriously considered by the Administration betrays a bald indifference to the special problems of Appalachia, and a complete misunderstanding of the purpose for which the Appalachian Regional Commission was established.

When Congress acted in 1965 to set up the Appalachian Regional Commission, it did so in recognition of the fact that the region, while rich in resources, was lagging far behind other areas in economic development and general prosperity. Rugged terrain, poor communications and transportation, years of neglect and exploitation, rising costs and dwindling local revenues — all these combined to pull us back. Our educational systems could not keep up with the national standards, our health and medical services could not develop properly, and our roads — which had never been equal to the demands of an automobile-oriented society, fell more and more into inadequacy. Worst of all, our brightest young people were migrating toward greater opportunity elsewhere.

The Appalachian Regional Development Act was the response of Congress to these needs. It was not an act of good neighborliness. It was a frank recognition that the nation's own well-being required a prosperous and productive Appalachia, making its full contribution to the strength of America.

Great strides have already been made to improve transportation through the Appalachian Development Highway System.

But we have only been able to go a little way toward completion of the system. We simply have not had time to finish it. And inflation has eaten deeply into the funds authorized and appropriated for this purpose.

I have felt all along that we should insist that these Appalachian highways should be built to a minimum of four-lane width and generally meet the specifications for the Interstate Highway System. It has never made sense to me to build two-lane roads under the Appalachian programs which will be inadequate and obsolete from the very day the ribbon is cut on them. This I have espoused and preached through both Democratic and Republican administrations, and I shall go right on doing so.

Instead of cutting back on the Appalachian road program, I think Congress and the Administration should be adding more mileage to the system, to insure that we develop the economic potential of even more of this vast area.

Under the Appalachian program, we have made great progress with our vocational school, bringing them up to the national standards and giving thousands of our Appalachian youngsters a chance to earn an honest livelihood as contributing members of a productive American society.

Likewise, our total hospital and medical care facilities have been substantially increased with funds provided under the

Appalachian Regional Development Act.

I realize that the President and his associates have to grapple with many problems, but I maintain that those problems can only be complicated by abandoning Appalachia to its old ways.

Appalachia, once it gets on its feet, can be treated the same as other regions of the country and that is what its people want. But until the time, Appalachia needs special treatment.

If it is not permitted to catch up, through a continuation of the program already under way, then it can only slip farther behind the rest of the nation.

If that happens, there will be no new Appalachia. There will only be a worsening of the old. We will have more outmigration, more economic backwardness, more misery and more privation.

No matter how rich this nation is, it cannot afford that.

The Congress, I believe, understands this far better than the Presidential advisors who dreamed up this shoddy blueprint to abandon the A. R. C.



John Kuegel, left, Kentucky Dairy Records president of Owensboro, congratulates Mr. and Mrs. Robert Elam, owners of Rosemond Dairy, Fayette County, for having produced the highest amount of butterfat in the state for the past year. The Mr. Horeb Road dairyman, who is son of a Morgan County native, won a \$75 check and plaque for milking 25 Holstein cows that produced an average of 17,434 pounds of

milk and 658 pounds of butterfat for each animal. Mr. Elam is son of McKinley Elam of Route 2 Lexington, who was reared in Morgan County and purchased a farm in Fayette County in 1925 after graduating from the University of Kentucky. He operated the farm as a dairy for 34 years before turning it over to his son, Robert.

I assure you that I and many others will fight to see that the agency and its programs are preserved — not alone for the benefits of Appalachia, but for the strengthening of the nation.

Carl D. Perkins
Member of Congress

DEHART
By Mary Allen

Feb. 1 — Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Fugate Sunday were Mrs. Thelma Rowland and Mrs. Phyllis Ross and Billy Joe Fugate. Aunt Belle Gose remains about the same.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Goodpastor have moved in one of C. G. Havens' houses.

Peggy and Cathy Havens spent Monday night with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer McGuire.

Dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Kermie Allen were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Harvey and daughters, Jean and Debbie, and Mr. and Mrs. Herky Allen and sons, Kenny and Keith, of West Liberty.

We have really had a snow this weekend — 5 inches at Dehart.

Kermie Allen is slowly improving. His leg is almost healed. He is allowed to walk a little in the house. He goes back to Morehead Wednesday to see his doctor.

Mrs. Parritt Keeton remains in Cincinnati, Ohio with her daughter. She is getting along pretty good. She will be 80 years old in May.

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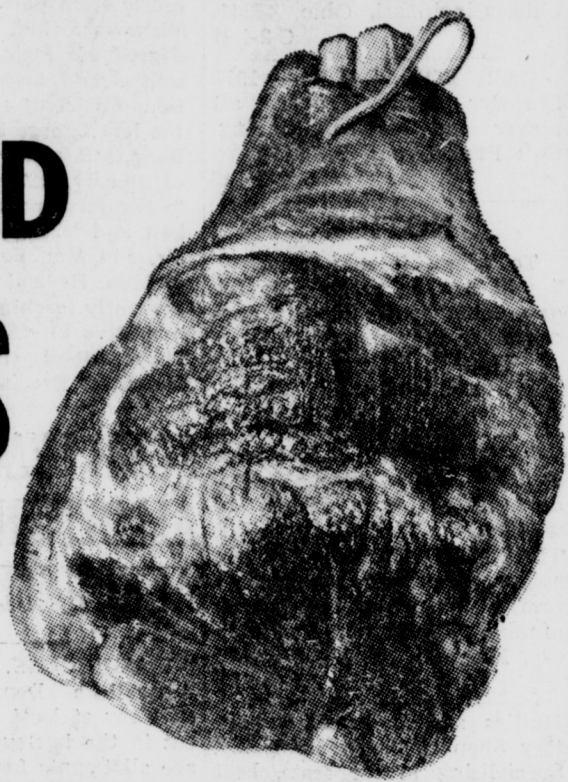
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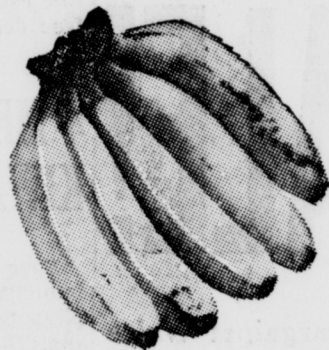
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BY ORPHA M. HAMILTON

Feb. 2 — This is "Ground Hog" Day and with our temperature well below zero, the weather man predicts it will be fair and cold. That suggests the "weather symbol" will be his shadow. I doubt though if he does, because I think he will be too frozen to crawl out. Anyway, we know we are due more winter weather, but we always have had spring, so let's keep hoping.

Mrs. Mary Henry reports that she has about recovered from a "bout" with the flu. She wants her friends who have written her so many cards and letters to know the reason she has not answered. She just hasn't felt up to writing yet.

Denzil Pack of Ohio came in last week and is staying with his parents. The Buford Packs, a few days and is helping out while his father is real sick. Buford was taken to the doctor Saturday and again yesterday and has an appointment to go to Ashland tomorrow (weather permitting) for some x-rays.

Kiser, Elmer of Ashland called on Mrs. Florence Elam one evening last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Doris Franklin and Eva Elliott of West Liberty, attended the funeral of Walter Spradling at Paintsville Sunday afternoon. Mr. Spradling, age about 90, was a cousin to our neighbor, Mrs. May Henry. She said that was the last cousin she had on her father's side.

Diekie Williams and Billie Conley, who take Auto Mechanics training at Ashland, were home for the weekend.

The weather, with about 5 inches of snow, looked pretty rough when they started back Sunday afternoon, but, they made it ok Sunday morning due to the snow.

Finley, Russell and Wick Kennard went to the Paintsville hospital Sunday to see their cousin, Fanny Kennard Sammons, who is critically ill following a stroke.

Mrs. Mary Etta Jones, Glynnda Cottle, and Karen Easterling went to Morehead Friday afternoon to visit Essie Gay Johnson and Brenda Cottle, students at the University. The girls from here got snow bound and didn't get home until Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Eddyth Croucher of Lebanon, Ohio came Sunday to visit her father, Buford Pack. She returned to Lebanon yesterday.

Arcus Francis and Junior Penix, who works at Grayson, have been home with their families for several days due to severe cold weather.

Scott Hopkins, who has been employed in Ohio is home for a few days.

H. B. Cottle of Dayton spent the weekend with his family here and returned to his work Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kennel Lewis visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lewis. Thanks, Chloee Johnson, for your comment. I was glad to see your news in again. I had been wondering what had happened to you.

Mrs. Alka Williams, who works at the Shoe factory didn't have to report at the factory Friday. It was a good day to be home.

Billy Pratt of Texas visited one night last week with his

cousin, the H. B. Cottle family and the Bobby Cottle family. He is the son of the former Elizabeth Cottle. He had been to Dayton, Ohio for three weeks of special schooling.

Sewell Hamilton and Bill Lewis visited Monday afternoon with Buford Pack. Most all the neighbors have visited Buford and tried to help out some way during his illness. Schools in the county have been closed since last Wednesday due to heavy snow and severe cold weather.

Yes, as predicted the sun is out clear, but I don't mind how many shadows the "Old Fellow" sees. I enjoy all the sun we can get.

And now, Food for thought. THE VALUE OF A SMILE. It costs so little — It gives so much. It happens in a flash. It's memory may last a life time.

It is rest to the weary, Sunshine to the sad. And it is nature's best Antidote for trouble.

JEFFERSONVILLE

By Mrs. C. F. Bolin

Jan. 25 — The writer's grandson and Willard Craft spent the holidays in Ohio with their children.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Wise were here Sunday the 10th when he received word his father and mother were killed in a car wreck on their way to church in Dayton, Ohio. They lived in Miami, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Wise were also the parents of Mrs. Ronald Bolin.

Willard Craft and Kevin Donehue were weekend guests of L. A. Faw in Lexington. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lovelace of Ezel were calling on the Bolins one day last week.

I received word my daughter, Mavis Bair of Miami, Ohio, had a growth removed from her hand in Kettering Hospital and was unable to work for awhile. Margaret Lovely of this place, who has been paralyzed in one side for some time, fell and is pretty bad.

Those on the sick list here are Grace Bedford, Maude Daniel, Jimmy Maloney, and Darrell Burkett.

Willard Craft spent a few days recently on the Dan Ridge in Menifee County looking about his farm.

C. F. Bolin has still got trouble with his eye where he had a syst removed. He may have to go to Lexington to an eye specialist.

My sympathy to the Volney McGuire family.

MORGAN COUNTAINS IN FAIRBORN, OHIO

BY NORA EASTERLING

Feb. 1 — Saturday guests of Nora Easterling were Rev. Toney Easterling, Mrs. Raymond Williams, Ricky Williams, and Mrs. Amanda Miller.

Visiting Raymond and Marie Williams, Danny, Debra, Pam, and Ricky Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Barry Williams and Toni. Mrs. June Clevenger, Mrs. Jewell Creach, and Anita.

Mrs. Alta Taulbee was Sunday guest of her mother, Mrs. Amanda Miller.

Phil Barnett was Saturday guest of Miss Debra Williams. Pam Williams went to the First Baptist Church Sunday. Visiting Rev. and Mrs. Toney Easterling, Gary, Karen, and Patsy were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Riber, Mike and Millisia, Sunday.

Sunday guests of Nora Easterling were Mrs. Barry Williams and Toni.

Mrs. Joyce Wood, daughter of Mrs. Julie Shaver Bricky, who had surgery recently, is still improving. Mrs. Bricky visits her every day and help with the house work.

Mrs. Etta Horn was Sunday guest of her mother, Mrs. Vertie Spence. She visits her mother every day.

Mrs. Amanda Miller went to a doctor Friday. Mrs. Miller is in poor health. She recently celebrated her 75th birthday. Scotty Simonson, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Danny Simonson, is on the sick list.

Ricky Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Williams, is missing school with a sore toe.

Darrell Humphrey was Monday guest of Danny Williams. Mrs. Mary Etta Jones of Florence, Ky., Anna M. Johnson and Pauline Elliott were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Johnson.

Rev. Toney Easterling was Monday, Jan. 25, guest of his sister Mrs. Marie Williams, to wish her Happy Birthday. Rev. Toney Easterling and Nora Easterling called her and sang "Happy Birthday." Mrs. June Clevenger and Darrell Humphrey were birthday guests of Marie.

Rev. Toney Easterling, Mrs. Nell Easterling, and Mrs. Raymond Williams attended church at Xenia Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Lee Johnson and Martie spent last weekend with his parents, Elder and Mrs. Walter Johnson of Florence, Ky.

STRAIGHT CREEK

By Josephine O'Neal

Feb. 1 — Mrs. Ethel Fannin of Christensburg, Ohio spent the past week here with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Adkins and children.

Mr. Joe Gilliam and Mr. Elton O'Neal of Troy, Ohio were visiting here over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe O'Neal.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonze Turner and daughter spent a few days the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Adkins and children.

Sunday evening guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Adkins and children were Mr. and Mrs. Noah O'Neal and sons, and Mrs. Ethel Fannin.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Smith and daughters moved from here about two weeks ago to a place near Mt. Sterling.

Mrs. Emma Adkins and son, Richard, visited with Mrs. Josephine O'Neal and sons Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Adkins visited Sunday evening with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Adkins.

Mr. Stanley Pitzer of Bellebrook, Ohio spent last weekend here on his farm.

BONNY

By Faye Ferguson

Feb. 1 — Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Ferguson and children have been attending the revival at Pine Branch. They also attended the revival at Crockett.

Mr. Bert Nipper of Ohio visited his mother and sister, Mrs. Fannie Nipper and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Ferguson, recently.

We were sorry to hear of the death of our neighbor, Volney McGuire. Our sympathy is extended to the family. Volney McGuire was the son of Charlie Brooks of Powell County.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Crowe of Lexington spent Sunday here with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Ferguson and children.

Congratulations to Miss Judy McPherson and Glenn Brooks who were married recently. She is the daughter of Rev. Martin McPherson of Wellington and he is the son of Charlie Brooks of Powell County.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Manning and son are building a new home at Bonny.

When a person has to keep his nose to the grindstone, a number of people take advantage of his position and kick him kerslam in the pants.

EZEL

By Rose Henry

Feb. 1 — Mr. and Mrs. Del Easterling and son of Richmond were visiting Mrs. John Easterling and family last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul McGuire and family of Lexington were visiting with Mrs. Ova McGuire and Mrs. Harlan Taulbee last weekend.

Mrs. Reva Helton and Mrs. Hazel Havens were shopping in Lexington last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dewitt and Debbie and David of Owenton were visiting Mrs. Marvin Carr last weekend.

Stephine Beagle of Pennsylvania spent a few days with Mary Frances Murphy during semester break at Morehead.

Oliver Henry has returned to his home in Middletown from the Middletown Hospital. Oliver is getting along very well.

Rev. Robert Franklin and Walter Bach attended a Presbytery meeting in Winchester Monday.

Mrs. Sylvia Bowman, delegate of Johnson County Teachers Association, was in Louisville Friday and Saturday attending the KEA delegate assembly.

Mr. and Mrs. Rue Wallace of Lexington were the Tuesday night guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Anderson.

Mr. Ellis Ward, a resident of the Allen Rest Home, is reported to be getting along well, and seems to be happy in his new environment.

Mrs. Martha Motley and Mrs. Eunice Easterling were the Wednesday guests of Mrs. Boyd Anderson. A delicious dinner was served in honor of Mrs. Motley's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmon Easterling and son, Johnny, were weekend guests of his mother, Mrs. John Easterling and family.

ANNOUNCE BIRTH OF DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Everett Conley of Piqua, Ohio announce the birth of a daughter, Sunday, January 31. The baby weighed 9 pounds 1 ounce and has been named Betina Lark. This is the couples first child.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Coffey and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Finley Conley. The baby was born on her father's birthday.

Publicity, like fire, can be friend or foe.

West Liberty, Ky., Feb. 4, 1971

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MORGAN COUNTAINS IN MARION, OHIO

By Alma Keeton

Jan. 23 — Mr. Henry Johnston of Bucyrus, Ohio was visiting his grandmother, Maggie Litteral, and aunt, Alma Keeton, on Wednesday.

Mrs. Goldie Johnston was visiting her aunt, Maggie Litteral, and cousin, Alma Keeton, on Thursday.

Maggie Litteral has been pretty much bedfast for about a week now.

Miss Vickie Sue Miller of Marion, Ohio had an automobile accident on Wednesday. She has a broken nose and cuts on her face.

Mrs. Donna Reinbeau was visiting her mother, Mrs. Noah Keeton, on Thursday, and Noah Keeton, Jr. has been visiting Luther McDaniels.

Rev. and Mrs. Noah Keeton, Sr., were visiting Rev. and Mrs. Glenn Davis on Thursday.

Your writer talked to Stella

Cooper on Thursday and she has the flu. She has been pretty much bedfast.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Litteral of Marion, Ohio were visiting Maggie Litteral and Rev. and Mrs. Noah Keeton, Sr., on Saturday.

Miss Cathy Johnson was visiting Miss Brenda Lee Keeton and Miss Theresa Sue Keeton over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurcelle Conley are visiting Mrs. Conley's father in Paintsville, Ky. He is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Marks were in southern Ohio for Mr. Mark's grandfather's funeral over the weekend.

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 James Pennington.

For this week's meeting on
 Wednesday evening at Don's
 Restaurant, Mrs. Elsie Lacy,
 Morgan county poet, was guest
 speaker and favored the club
 with recitation of some of her
 published poems.

Hon. John Y. Brown, well
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Robert Joseph Deal of Ver-
 ona, Ohio was graduated re-
 cently from Bethel College in
 Mishawaka, Ind. with a B. S.
 degree. He majored in social
 studies and secondary educa-
 tion. Mr. Deal is the son of
 the late George Deal of South
 Bend, Ind. and Irma Hiemstra
 of Elkhart, Ind. He is married
 to the former Rosa Mae Nic-
 kell and is the son-in-law of
 Mr. and Mrs. Everett Nickell
 of Mize. He and his wife are
 presently teaching in the Ver-
 one, Ohio City School System.
 They attend the Nazarene
 Church at Brookville, Ohio.

**JOE LYKINS GETS
 COMBS-CARROLL
 CAMPAIGN POST**

LOUISVILLE, Ky., — Joe
 Lykins will serve as Morgan
 County chairman of the Combs-
 Carroll Action Corps it was an-
 nounced this week by Robert
 Matthews, State Campaign
 Chairman for Bert Combs and
 Julian Carroll.

The Action Corps is a state-
 wide organization of young
 Kentuckians working in support
 of the Combs-Carroll ticket in
 the May Democratic Gubernatorial Primary.

Lykins, a resident of Malone,
 is chairman of the Morgan
 County Young Democrats and a
 member of the Masonic Lodge.
 He is an agent for American
 Health and Life Insurance Com-
 pany.

In announcing the appoint-
 ment, Matthews noted that the
 average age of the Combs-Carroll
 campaign staff is 29 and added,
 "All across Kentucky young
 men and women who are con-
 cerned about the leadership of
 tomorrow are joining the
 Combs-Carroll Campaign, we are
 pleased to have Joe Lykins a-
 mong those outstanding young
 leaders in the Action Corps."

Lykins said, "The main issues
 in the May primary are past
 performance and accomplish-
 ment. Bert Combs has a record
 of great service to, and accom-
 plishment for, the people of
 Kentucky. The people want and
 need that type of leadership in
 Frankfort in the next four
 years."

**SOME LEAF
 ALLOTMENTS
 ANNOUNCED**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2 —
 Agriculture Department officials
 say at least a 25 per cent
 cut in the burley tobacco acre-
 age allotments for 1971 will oc-
 cur unless there is a change in
 the present law.

The 1970 burley allotment
 nationwide totaled 230,947 ac-
 res, with 145,781 acres apportioned
 to Kentucky. The state pro-
 duces the bulk of the nation's
 burley crop, and the 1970 total
 represented a 10 per cent cut
 from 1969.

Present burley allotments are
 on an acreage basis, but Sen.
 John Sherman Cooper, R-Ky.,
 has introduced a bill to change
 to a poundage basis.

Last year Congress extended
 from Feb. 1 to March 1 the
 deadline for announcement by
 the Agriculture Department for
 the burley tobacco allotments.

A department aide said the
 burley situation results from
 two factors — a big increase
 in the per-acre yield in recent
 years and a decline in the de-
 mand for burley.

While the burley allotment
 announcement still is a month
 away, allotments for 1971 for
 other types of tobacco, includ-
 ing Kentucky-Tennessee fire-
 cured leaf, were announced
 Monday.

**Southern States
 Regional Meeting
 Set At Prestonsburg**

Approximately 70 members
 of Southern States Coopera-
 tive's local board and com-
 mittee members, agriculture
 workers and retail Agency
 managers from this area, will
 attend a regional board meet-
 ing in Prestonsburg on Feb-
 ruary 11. The session will be
 held at the Jenny Wiley State
 Park and registration will be-
 gin at 6 p.m.

Those expected to attend
 the meeting from the
 West Liberty area are
 Denzil Elliott, manager of
 Morgan Farmers Store, and
 local board members: Dr.
 William G. Holbrook, Hager
 Hamilton, Lenzville Holbrook,
 West Liberty; Bill Frank Lacy,
 Stacy Fork; Victory Conley,
 Florence, and Joe Lykins of
 Malone.

**OLDER CITIZENS GROUPS
 FOR COMBS-BRECKINRIDGE**

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 2 —
 At its meeting in Louisville
 on Friday, January 29 the Ex-
 ecutive Board of the Kentucky
 Association for Older Persons
 voted to recommend to its mem-
 bership that it support the can-
 didacy of former Governor Bert
 T. Combs for the office of Gov-
 ernor and that of Attorney Gen-
 eral John Breckinridge for Lt.
 Governor. Since there is no an-
 nounced Republican candidate,
 the Board voted to take no ac-
 tion on the Republican Pri-
 maries at this time.

**ARTHUR RIGSBY
 PASSES SATURDAY**

Funeral services for Arthur
 Rigbsy, 68, Rt. 2, West Liberty,
 who died Saturday, were con-
 ducted at 10 a.m. Wednesday
 at the Herald and Stewart
 Funeral Home in West Liberty.
 Burial was in the Cottle Cem-
 etery at Zag.

Born Jan. 2, 1903, in Ro-
 wan County, he was a son of
 the late Mr. and Mrs. Richard
 Rigbsy.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs.
 Ivory Weaver Rigbsy; four
 daughters, Mrs. Pearl McKee
 of Fairborn, O., Mrs. Joyce
 Reed of Sardis, Miss. Gail
 Rigbsy of Rt. 2, West Liberty,
 and Mrs. Wilma Salmon of
 Dayton, O.; five sons, Willard
 and Calvin Rigbsy, both of
 Rt. 2, West Liberty, Alley
 Rigbsy of Xenia, O., Paul
 Rigbsy of West Liberty, and
 Dale Rigbsy, with the U. S.
 Army in South Vietnam, and
 two brothers, Utie Rigbsy of
 Clearfield and Henry Rigbsy,
 in Indiana.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The Courier—
 Enclosed find \$6.00 to re-
 new our subscription. I guess
 everybody has forgotten us as
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 and we don't get to come
 back to Morgan very often.
 He has been real bad all win-
 ter.

Wishing you all the best of
 luck. We still love old Morgan
 County and we are so glad
 it is building up so fast.
 —Mr. and Mrs. Mose Turner
 7321 Peters Rd.
 Dayton, Ohio 45414

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One rich region was the upper Big Sandy, and two routes for a railroad had been studied. One was the old E. K. Railway that was built from Greenup on the Ohio up Little Sandy to Willard. Another was the Big Sandy from Catlettsburg.

The E. K. Railway already had reached Willard in southern Carter county, and it was proposed to extend it into the Big Sandy, by one of two routes.

To describe the portion of the rich East Kentucky region the editor of the Greenup Independent went to the end of the EK at Willard and took a horse and traveled over much of East Kentucky both the Big Sandy region and back into the Licking River Valley.

His interesting account of his horseback trip in 1875 and descriptions of the towns and villages he visited in the Big Sandy and Licking river valleys is important local history. He printed the tale in the Independent in his newspaper, and it has been sent to us by Mrs. A.P.L. Goering of Ontario, Canada, and we publish it here-with.

Greenup Independent Supplement Greenup, Ky., Friday, May 7, 1875

IN THE SADDLE. Bound for the upper counties your correspondent left Willard, the present terminus of the Eastern Kentucky Railway, on a raw but pleasant afternoon. The railroad comes to a sudden stop in the midst of a safely fenced cornfield, conveying the idea as if some bold western granger had here vetoed its further progress. This however is not the case for all people (grangers and all) in this section of Kentucky are too well aware that in railroads alone lies their salvation.

The charter of this railroad gives them the privilege of constructing their track to the West Virginia line, either by way of Paintsville up Big Sandy or via West Liberty up the valley of Licking River. From present appearances, the latter route is the one which will be their next aim: a line to this point was surveyed last summer; it takes up Dry Fork, crosses over into Big Blaine at Cherokee Gap, the point above the Flourishing, neatly patterned town of Willard. This store owned and managed by the well known Dr. Hudgins, one of our self-made mountain men, is the largest store in this vicinity, always keeping on hand a very large and well selected stock of merchandise. The Doctor also operates a blacksmith shop, turning out good and reliable work. Following the meanderings of Dry Fork we soon cross over into Lawrence County's jurisdiction.

The first post office above Willard, five miles from this place is WEBBVILLE — named for our worthy friend and patron, G. W. WEBB. His beautiful built, new, three-story house, steam mill, etc., form the main part of the settlement. Wash, a very enterprising citizen owns some 2,000 acres of valuable land, joining to the extensive property of the Ironton Company which consists of over 12,000 acres of land rich in mineral and timber. The timber in parts of this valley is the most characteristic of the Tygart Valley forests, yet it compares very favorably with the timber lands in Ohio and elsewhere.

Coal has been opened at many points, ranging from 2 feet to 4 feet thickness, embracing the well known Jackson coal, which we noticed opposite a school house on Graham's land. As to iron ore the lands of this company are very well selected, the limestone ore being the leading vein in this section ranging from 4 inches to over 2 feet in thickness. Other ore measures both under and above this ore are also found in paying thickness and of excellent quality. The land of this company extends to beyond Cherokee Gap, where the proposed railroad line requires a tunnel of 1200 feet length. This gap, due to some of the present hours, stories told about a man named Rose, who was represented as being inclined to dispatch lonely travelers into the eternal haunting grounds on short notice, obtained such an ominous reputation during the later civil unpleasantness that nobody dared to pass here without guards, readily supplied by a family well-lit from the gap, who thus earned large and easy wages.

About a mile farther south we arrived at CHEROKEE, a post office in charge of friend Berry Tuget, an excellent representative of our mountain yeomanry. Many nights have I passed under his hospitable shelter, and often have I thought of the present hours passed there in front of the blazing wood fire whilst his daughter and son entertained me with the pleasant music of the dulcimer. As the road approaches the mouth of Cherokee the valley grows wider, and once on Big Blaine I found some splendid farms, rich soil and well attended. There is a general stir amongst our farmers this season. I don't know if it is due to the salutary influence of grangerism or if it necessity which has brought about. But the general turning out of everybody new clearing of land, new fencing, new improvements, tilling of available soil, everywhere can be now seen in all parts of Eastern Kentucky. Farms long since abandoned are

resurrecting and instead of going West, as has been the sad ambition of our mountaineers for years past, people turn to work at home where industry will carry them as far as in the Western or any other part of the globe.

Near the mouth of Cherokee lives our friend Mart Graham, who in connection with Fugot of Cherokee P. O. represents the INDEPENDENT in that section. Mart's farm is a well cultivated one, an example of what well directed labor will accomplish.

Still following the railroad line up BIG BLAINE I soon arrived at the mouth of Hood's Fork which is one of the main trading centers in this section of country. Three stores, owned by Clayborn Sweetman, A. M. Holbrooks and E. B. Fitch are driving a flourishing trade. The last of the three was only started six months ago; yet carrying on business on the cash principle only, it is bidding fair to control trade at the point.

Some parts of HOOD'S FORK present the same wild and romantically beautiful appearance of the Cracker's Neck, Caney, Clifty, Sinking, Laurel, head of Paint country. The same fantastically shaped cliffs, the same bold precipices, suddenly sloping into patches of rich meadow land, the same vegetation, the laurel evergreen, holly and dwarf pines surround us. As a whole the valley of Hood's Fork is not well adapted for farming purposes, nor does it offer any facilities for constructing a railroad line up its undulating, rugged rocky course.

About 15 miles above the mouth of Hood's lies a little village called SPRINGVILLE, invented, founded and built by Dr. P. Simer who at the point discovered a rich spring of sulphur water and at one time expected here to create a great Kentucky watering place. It rather strikes the traveler as a phantom from some of the bordering hills, a baldachin like shelter suddenly appears from behind a rocky precipice in the middle of the road, and to observe a row of neatly built cottages, here and there surrounded by prettily looking flower gardens, seems to be a sight so unexpected that your special correspondent when he first saw this happy creation of Dr. Simer's ingenuity thought himself transplanted into a different clime.

But like many enterprising men, our friend the Doctor soon discovered that his invention was ahead of time, and he had therefore to return to his former home, PAINTSVILLE, the county seat of Johnson County.

This little town lies about one mile above the mouth of Big Paint, a point at which the Big Sandy river connects Paintsville with the rest of the world, i.e., during high water when small steamboats convey men and chattel between Catlettsburg and Pikesville; during the low water season "pushboats," do the carrying business between these points.

This is now the shipping point for the country stores of several counties and to judge from the amount of tan bark, logs and staves, now accumulated at this point and along the many smaller and larger tributaries of Paint, the "wooden" business of this place must figure up considerably.

It is extremely sad to notice this fact, for it is too evident how ruinous to any country it must be, if farmers neglect their legitimate farming occupations and enter the sphere of speculation; if they neglect or abandon their fields, idling away their labor to the ruin of their very property, destroying their timber, wasting ten times as much as they are able to send to market, and if then the downward tendency their labor, their feed, sometimes all they possess, being represented by the result of their timbering is forfeited, and they as well as their creditors, the country stores, are ruined or nearly so. They do not take in consideration how their lands are reduced in value by this destruction of timber both directly and indirectly and it would be a heaven's blessing if somebody would convince them of this fact and redirect their hands to their only legitimate business.

Two Methodist churches, one Southern and one Northern, and the brick courthouse are the main buildings of this place. But this section of country is also adding to the pleasant appearance of the town, mostly consisting of frame buildings. The law is well represented at the place by Fru Stewart, Brown & Preston, W. W. Brown and others, all men of ability. Two hotels, the "Preston" and the "Henry" house, carried on in good style furnish both to man and beast all necessary comfort and shelter. The merchants of this town, Joe Borders, W. W. Brown, S. P. Hager, J. D. Preston and D. Davis are enjoying a good trade, and we believe they fully deserve the confidence of their friends.

But pleasant as my short stay was amongst her kind citizens, I could only remain a few hours in the town of Paintsville. Yet I formed many pleasant acquaintances and I have no doubt that the INDEPENDENT the mountain news carrier, the advocate of internal improvements, already the friend of many, will soon be as popular amongst the citizens of Johnson County as it has grown to be in the remainder of Eastern Kentucky.

Once more conducting your readers to Springville, I strike from there in a westerly course and after some four miles travel arrive at the truly and only FLAT GAP we have ever beheld. This is the watershed of Laurel Fork of Licking River and of Mud Lick branch of Paints Creek, a watershed which would hardly be observed by the wayfarer, did not



EDITOR'S HORSEBACK TRIP IN 1875 is shown in this map, starting at Willard, terminus of the E. K. Railway, and continuing south to Paintsville, thence eastward through Flat Gap, over and down the State Road Fork to Salsersville, thence down Licking to West Liberty.

the name of the pretty village of Flat Gap here located, set the traveler to inquire for the gap. Level and wide spreads the valley at this point, and the view from some of the bordering hills on the twenty neatly built frame dwellings with their outhouses, their fences are really charming. C. M. Gamble's hotel offers good accommodations to the weary traveler.

Of the two stores kept at this place one is now closed, but the other, owned by Gamble & Sweetman is doing a remarkably good business. This store making a specialty of buying country produce, shipped not less than 260 barrels of beans and 53 barrels of eggs during this season. Mr. H. Gamble, who is in charge of the store is a very reliable merchant and obliging gentleman.

The mouth of Hood's Fork is 10 miles from here, Willard 33 miles and Paintsville 12 miles. Still striking across the country now in a South West direction I passed from the valley of Mud Lick into that of Big Paint, thence to Fish Trap, the confluence of Big and Little Paint, and taking up the latter stream I at last crossed over into the State Fork of Licking, on whose mouth 20 miles from Flat Gap lies the handsome county seat of Magoffin.

But I will not omit to speak of the fine farms along Paint, the outcroppings of coal, the blooms of iron ores and the natural oil wells which are to be seen in this section of country. But this is the father of our friends, Captain Littler of Willard and Mart Littler of West Liberty.

It was growing late as I approached Licking, and when at last the valley of State Road fork widened, and away off I saw the blue line of hills bordering Licking on the Southwest, and right before me in the twilight arose the widely spread town, with its white washed houses, smoke rising through open doors and windows, fogs commencing fantastically to rise from the tributary valleys of Licking, I thought SALSERSVILLE a charming, inviting place.

The capital of Magoffin county lies 375 miles above Covington, Ky., by the meanderings of Licking, a distance which by road is reduced to 118 miles. The proposed Portsmouth & Pound Gap road passes right in sight of this town, its survey making the distance from here to Pound Gap 70 miles and from here to the mouth of Tygart's Creek 90 miles.

The town consists of over thirty houses, which are scattered over considerable ground, and many neatly built farm houses being in sight of town, the whole looks like an extensive settlement. The court house is a brick structure of no specially attractive appearance. The jail, a two story log house, is weather-boarded with inch oak plank. It now contains one culprit, a young man who had com-

mitted the dreadfully criminal act of selling ten cents worth of whiskey to somebody, and who is now incarcerated for the term of 800 days to serve as a warning example to his fellow men. This is what they call law, no doubt correctly, but where dwells justice if manslaughter, even murder, is considered less punishable than the sale of one drink of whiskey?

This, however, has been such a check to the distribution of ardent waters in this county that investigating liquids can be found nowhere. In vain did I enter the two saloons of this town to interview their proprietors. They pointed out to me some empty barrels, one of which containing a home made, sour, brownish mixture, to which call beer is an eternal blemish to the genius of Edge—and one barrel labelled "no drink" Crusaders would undoubtedly live in clover at this place.

One of the principal buildings of the town is Adams' saw and curd mill. This mill is well regulated; its machinery (excepting the engine foundation) is in good order; the sawing capacity is 8,000 feet per day. There is one hotel in the place called the Prater House. But two other houses, though not licensed, offer shelter and accommodation to travelers; they are kept by Messrs. W. J. Hager and Wm. Adams. It was my good luck to stop at the latter place, where I was treated as kindly as an old friend; and I here offer my sincere thanks to the ladies who contributed so much to make my stay pleasant and agreeable, although Mr. Adams' serious illness was requiring their constant care.

B. Hammon, F. Arnett & Co., W. J. Hager & Co., A. J. Patton and Captain Atkinson, the merchants of this place, are doing a fair business. A new Methodist Church, quite a nice frame building, is fast approaching completion. The school house is large, though without a teacher at present; its upper story is retained by Ashler Lodge, No. 331 of F. & A. M. for their nocturnal goat races. A Mr. Altizer is the artist whose talents are devoted both to teaching the boys how to sing and taking the photographs of the strikingly beautiful girls of Magoffin.

The farmers much lament the scarcity of corn in this vicinity; some late sales were reported at \$1.40 each per bushel and it was thought that corn would soon be worth \$2.00.

THE MAGOFFIN CIRCUIT COURT being in session, I had the pleasure of meeting many old friends and making many new ones. Judge Ireland presided with his well known amiability toward the bar and justice towards contestants. Friend Auxier again proved himself a true representative of the interest of the Commonwealth; his energy, industry and impartiality are deserving of and are paying his road to the highest honors in his reach.

Many interesting suits were tried during my stay and the Court was still in session when I left. One of the orders made on the order book of the Court referred to the fact that the Editor of the Independent had been sworn

in as practicing attorney. Judge Botts, the great joker, did his share to promote good feeling amongst all men and women, told some of his telling stories, and also presented me with a pocket circuit judicial charge to the jury.

During my stay at this place I was also shown a true copy of the famous letter of JOHN SWIFT moving to his trips to what is now Magoffin county in 1761, 1765 and 1767, describing the location of his five furnaces, here built for reducing silver, his hiding places and adventures. The land thus described has been discovered, also the ruins of the five furnaces, furnace cinder, etc., on the Mine fork of Paint creek about eight miles N. E. from this point. This land lies inside of a tract of 15,000 acres now owned by Hon. Joe Gardner, Colonel Hy Gardner and Rev. James Michler, more. To this property I will again refer in some of my future communications.

Richly gifted is the beautiful VALLEY OF LICKING. The farms on its banks cannot be surpassed, the soil is rich, the slope is easy and many farms are splendidly managed. Add to this the mineral wealth of the valley, the hidden measures of iron ore and coal, which abound in the surrounding hills, and nothing seems to be lacking to create wealth, untold wealth, amongst the citizens of the counties joining the Licking. But lack of communication, of transportation is holding them back, back in making money, in civilization. There are navigable streams on both sides, Big Sandy on the one, Kentucky river on the other; but Licking cannot be navigated, except by rafts during high water. The future of this valley therefore depends on the construction of railroads. And it is natural enough that the citizens about here gladly offer assistance to any enterprise which will bring them such means of transportation.

Down this valley led my way to WEST LIBERTY, the county seat of Morgan, 22 miles distant from Salsersville by road, 60 by river. I passed the halfway place, Bloomington, a town of two houses and one empty wagon, with a school house in the distance. I passed the town twice before I became aware of it and had it not been for the information received from a weary wayfarer, who had his horse hitched in front of the hill-top house, I would have forever remained a mystery to your special correspondent. The more so since the very mention of its charming name provokes a rather mysterious smile on the countenance of the well-informed.

West Liberty, on the Licking, every time that I have approached its hospitable gates, seems to offer a cheerful welcome to the tired, dusty, muddy traveler. All three hotels, the Turner Hotel, Kendall House and Morgan House, furnish good quarters; their landlords are clever in the extreme. The stores of Turner & Bro. and of the Morgan Trade Association are doing a very large business; the former carry a supply of

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Two Meted 3 Years In Johnson Drug Case

PAINTSVILLE, Ky., Jan. 28 — A jury in Johnson Circuit Court recommended Wednesday that three-year sentences be given to two Paintsville men who pleaded guilty to possession of dangerous drugs.

The prosecution had recommended two-year terms and a \$1,000 fine and counsel for Robert Ricky Adams, 22, and Michael Tackett, 20, then asked the court to fix punishment in line with the state's recommendation.

Officers said they seized marijuana and LSD when the arrests were made several weeks ago.

MEDICARE RECIPIENTS BEWARE

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Social Security officials have received a number of complaints from alarmed senior citizens in the Lexington area approached by men posing as representatives of Medicare.

Two men are known to be involved in a high-pressure sales attempt to persuade Medicare recipients to buy additional insurance, says Ray L. Colver, Social Security Administration district manager.

"One man used the name of an employee of the Social Security Office when trying to gain entrance into an elderly woman's home."

Another individual tried to read the license plate of the car one impostor was driving, but it was covered with mud, Colver added. Colver cautioned elderly people to ask for identification from any person claiming to be a Medicare representative. "Authorized agents carry a card with picture issued by the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare," he said.

Similar complaints were reported in the Louisville area last year.

MRS. POTTER'S BROTHER DIES IN VIRGINIA

Elbert H. Yates, 67, of Conway, Va., died at his home Monday night Jan. 18, after a long illness.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Vicy Ramey Yates; four sons, Ralph Yates of Big Rock, Va., Kermit Yates of Conway, Glen T. Yates of Newport News, Va., and Harry Yates of Grundy, Va.; one daughter, Mrs. Ruby Elizabeth Puckett of Grundy; five brothers, Lawrence, Oliver, Roy and Arthur Yates of Grundy, Va., and Ernest Yates of Yorktown, Va.; and three sisters, Mrs. Rose Looney of Vansant, Va., Mrs. Callie Jackson of Grundy and Mrs. Lillian Potter of West Liberty, Ky.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, Jan. 20, at 1 p.m. at the residence with Rev. Whetsel Owens officiating. Burial was in Mountain Valley Memorial Park at Grundy, Pa. bearers were newphews.

Grundy Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

JURISDICTION QUESTIONED IN COAL TRUCK CASE

PAINTSVILLE, Ky., Jan. 27 — A special commonwealth attorney is to be appointed to study procedures followed in bringing overweight coal trucks to Circuit Court in Johnson County.

This was the decision of Judge W. D. Sparks Monday after defense attorneys J. K. Wells and W. B. Hazeltine raised the question of the higher court jurisdiction to hear the case.

Lower court records could not be checked Monday since Magistrate Vern Conley is hospitalized in Lexington and no one had access to the locked records.

County Attorney Jack Lewis took the cases to the grand jury after the magistrate court had failed to try them.

Commonwealth Attorney Eugene Rice had withdrawn from all cases dealing with the coal companies on the basis that his father, Crate Rice, is associated in business with Terry Elkhorn Mining Company, the defendant.

CONTENTMENT

True contentment depends not upon what we have, A tub was large enough for Diogenes, but a world was too little for Alexander.

—Colton

FEDERAL LAND BANK REDUCES LOAN INTEREST

CATLETTSBURG — Area farmers will now pay lower interest rates on new loans and some previously closed Land Bank loans according to Henry Collinsworth, manager of the Federal Land Bank Association of Catlettsburg.

Mr. Collinsworth indicated all new Land Bank loans closed on or after February 1 will bear an interest rate of 8 per cent. The bank has been charging 8½ per cent. In addition, all loans that have been closed at 8½ per cent will be reduced to 8 per cent on Feb. 1.

The Catlettsburg association makes and services Land Bank Loans to farmers in Boyd, Carter, Greenup, Lawrence, Magoffin, Breathitt, Elliott, Johnson, Knott, Lee, Letcher, Martin, Menifee, Morgan, Perry, Pike, Rowan and Wolfe Counties.

The association, owned by the farmers who have loans, is operated by a board of directors comprised of L. C. Pritchard, president, of Sandy Hook; Ray Wells, vice-president, of Greenup; Burl Cundiff, Jackson; E. A. Cecil, Hazel Green, and George Runyon, Ashland.

REMAP SESSION TO START FEB. 25

FRANKFORT, Ky. — The Kentucky General Assembly will convene in special session, Feb. 25 to consider the reapportionment of the state's 133 legislative districts to make them conform with population shifts recorded in the 1970 census.

Gov. Louie B. Nunn announced the beginning date of the session last week in a "State of the Commonwealth" speech to the Kentucky Press Assn.

The Legislative Research Commission has already begun drafting tentative redistricting plans, and LRC officials indicate preparation of the plans could go well into late February.

The census figures show there must be slightly more than 32,000 person in each of the state's House districts and about 84,000 in each of the Senate districts.

Recent court decisions have said all districts in a state could vary from the norm by no more than two or three per cent.

The job will have to be completed by March 31, the deadline for filing as legislative candidates from multi-county districts.

KELLY DYER, 82, MORGAN NATIVE PASSES IN OHIO

A Morgan County native, Kelly Dyer, 82, died at his home at Route 2 Shiloh, Ohio on Jan. 3.

Born in Morgan County April 21, 1888, he was a son of late Henry and Ann McGuire Dyer.

He is survived by his widow, Rose Yates Dyer; one daughter, Irene Kegley of Mansfield, Ohio; one son, Kermit Dyer of Shiloh; one sister, Mrs. Minnie McClain of Morgan County; one brother, Harlan Dyer of Arizona, and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Myers Funeral Home in Greenview, Ohio on Jan. 6 by Rev. David Wireman. Burial was in Mt. Hope Cemetery of Shiloh, Ohio.

VENNA KELLY DIES IN OHIO

Venna Kelly, 61, a former resident of Morgan County, died early Tuesday, Jan. 26, in a hospital at Dayton, O., following an extended illness.

Born April 3, 1909, in Morgan County, she was a daughter of the late Joe Lee and Martha Hill Kelly.

Surviving are a son, Norman Kelly of Dayton; two brothers, Hendrix and Charlie Kelly, both of Flat Gap, and a grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted at 1 p.m. Thursday at the Enterprise Baptist Church at Flat Gap. Burial in the Holbrook Cemetery there with Paintsville Funeral Home in charge.

EXPERIENCE

One thorn of experience is worth a whole wilderness of warning. . . .

—Lowell

Editor's Horseback Trip Through Eastern Ky.

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goods amounting to some \$8,000, the stock of the latter, probably as well selected and selling as reasonably, is not quite so large. Quite a curiosity in the shape of sign board painting, exhibited at the Turner Hotel, conveys the news that its proprietor wants to be generally "looked at," especially by ladies desiring to make investments in "candies."

The other hotel has an attraction of a different nature in the person of a live Irishman. An Irishman named James Maloney—Who would have dreamt of it, here in the Kentucky back country to have his boots blacked by a true representative of Erin? And a true one he is, for I heard it confidentially whispered about that Jimmy's sobriety was such a problematic feature in Jimmy's constitution, that as yet it had never been discovered.

I had also the pleasure of be-

ing interviewed by a man named Ludd, a gentleman of very prepossessing exterior, and expressive countenance. He seemed to be much troubled about the business newspapermen obtain a living from, more so since I was the first specimen of this gender he had ever beheld, and also because my hands were white and his dirty. Yet on the whole Ludd seemed to think a great deal more of the Independent than he was able to express at the time.

One remarkable feature of West Liberty is its not possessing a church house, and I would suggest to the ladies of Morgan's capital that a fair or something of the kind, well conducted would easily create enough funds for the building of a meeting house, without which no town can flourish. Think of this, ladies, and when you get everything ready, I promise to be on hand.

Thus I have gone over parts of my enjoyable trip through the mountains, without arriving at

the main part of my observations, those referring to the examination of the Licking River: coal deposits. But space giving out I have to defer that part of my report until next issue, which my friends will kindly pardon.

Would I now commence thankfully to remember all my friends in the faraway mountains: the Cardners, Salyers, Patrick, Subletts, etc. of Magoffin; the Kendalls, Hazelriggs, Honays, Lykens, etc. of Morgan; and above all, you, my true pilot and friend Havens; this would be an endless undertaking. For all and everyone whom I met gave me his good will and kind assistance. Continue this feeling, friends, and the task to which my efforts are devoted: "to aid in Eastern Kentucky's development" will be attained.

—Copied from the original by Mrs. A. P. L. GOERING
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YOCUM By Suda Lewis

Jan 30 — It looks like Old Man Winter is here at last. We have about 4 inches of snow and this morning we had a 7 degree temperature, and its supposed to be colder tonight.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie McGuire of Springfield, Ohio spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Meril McGuire of Malone and Mr. and Mrs. Paris Lewis of Yocum. Other weekend visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ray Lykins and daughters, Tammy and Stephanie. They also visited with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kash Lykins of Caney.

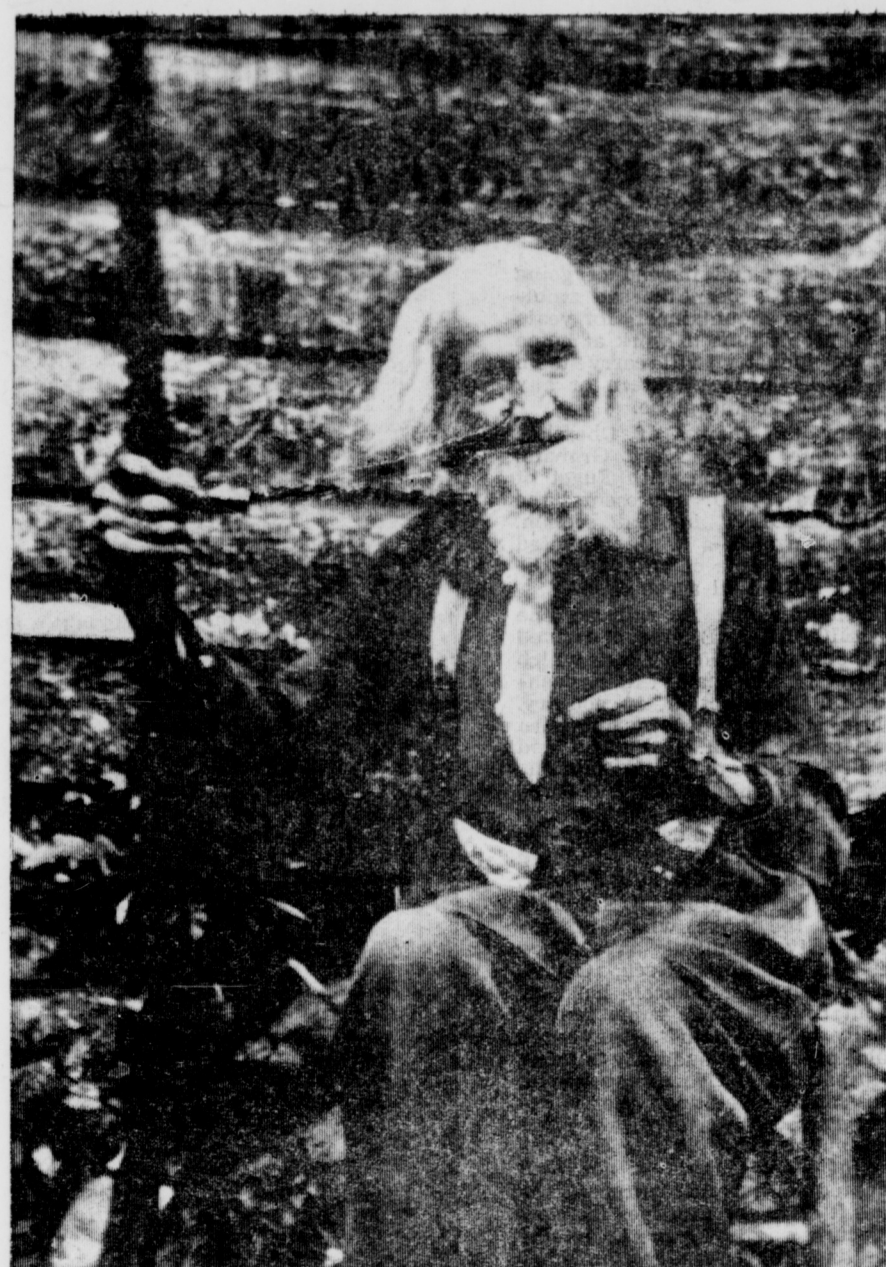
John Lewis of West Liberty visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Lewis. Saturday evening visitors of the Lewises were Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie McGuire, Mrs. Charles Ray Lykins and Tammy, Paris and Rebecca Lewis.

Judy Gunnel of Index is spending some time with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Engle and Pete. Other visitors of the Engles were Mr. and Mrs. Onzie Engle.

Arnold Watkins of Zag visited Friday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shelvie Watkins of Lick Fork. He also visited Friday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Lewis.

We were sorry to hear of the death of Arthur Rigby. Our sympathy goes to the family.

Our Monday morning temperature reading was 6 below zero.



Uncle John Shell of Greasy Creek, Leslie County, Ky. in his 131st year. Picture was made in 1919. He died in July of 1922 at the age of 134.

EARLY LESIE COUNTY SETTLER LIVED TO BE 134

(Editor's Note: The following interesting article was researched and written by Darrell Terry of Cannel City, a student at Lees Junior College, Jackson. We enjoyed it. We hope you do.)

Other men in the mountains lived to advanced ages, but none ever came close to John Shell. John Gilbert, an "iron jacket" Baptist preacher of Red Bird River in Clay County, one of the first settlers in that region, lived to be 110. Then John Bryan, early settler on the waters of the Big Sandy River and a cousin of Daniel Boone's wife, Rebecca, died in 1867 at

age 115.

Greasy Creek, when Kentucky was still part of Virginia, was called Licking Creek by early hunters because of the deer licks there. The name was later changed to Laurel Creek, justified by the laurel thickets that abound there. Then one day, John Shell shot and wounded a bear on the mountain at the mouth of Shell's Fork of the Laurel. The bear ran off the mountain and fell into the "blue-hole". The water was so deep that John could not get his bear out. The bear, in time, began to decompose and his accumulated fat created a

grease scum that rose to the surface of the water for some time. People downstream then renamed the tributary to suit its aspects. It is called Greasy Creek to this day.

The Shells are of Dutch descent. John Shell's father, Sam, moved from Pennsylvania through the Shenandoah Valley to settle in East Tennessee, where John was born in 1788. When John first came to Kentucky there were only about three or four families living at the mouth of the Clover Fork of the Cumberland River, where the town of Harlan now stands. John married Elizabeth Nance,

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Jan. 25 — Mrs. and Mrs. Jewell L. place, Mrs. Gladys Fredia of Harper and Mrs. Lloyd B. son Fork Thursday on Mrs. Charles O.

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Reminiscences Of Bygone Days At Big Andy Church

By Hazel C. Booth

Big Andy Primitive Baptist Church in Wolfe County, constituted before the turn of the century, grew and prospered for more than 70 years, and is not, to the present day, abandoned, nor has it fallen into complete disuse.

The large frame building is equipped with neat, painted, benches; the walls and floor are in good condition, the windows intact, and a vase containing artificial flowers graces the pulpit stand. Presently without a stove or fuel, no services are held during the winter, but an occasional meeting is scheduled during the summer.

Early settlers in Wolfe County established homes in the valleys for various reasons; the ground was more productive, easier to cultivate, and the springs and creeks assured a never-failing water supply. But one disadvantage of living in low areas was the ever-present danger of high water. This fact was noted in the writings of Daniel Boone. After an extended visit to Kentucky in 1770, Boone returned to his home and told stories of "mighty forests that teem with game" and rivers which at certain times became "raging torrents that are swole far from their natural banks and strive to wash the very hills" between which they flowed.

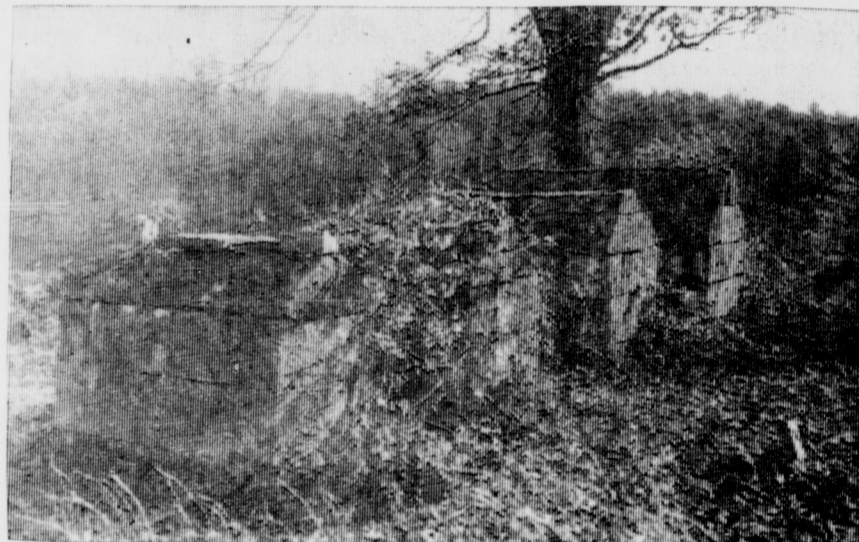
After Dr. Thomas Walker explored Kentucky in 1750 he described a "frightening tide of water" on the river he named in honor of the Duke of Cumberland. He also recorded that for several days the valley between where Pineville is now located, where Dr. Thomas saw the river for the first time, and Barboursville, near where he built his cabin, was so flooded that it "resembled most the sea in width," and the force of the water so strong "it uprooted giant trees of oak and hemlock and carried them along on its crest."

The June tide, a deluge the like of which was not seen before or since, occurred June 26, 1882. Roaring through coves and valleys, the flood destroyed stands of timber in Wolfe County and washed away every church house, saw mill, and grist mill in the valleys. An old newspaper account states "June 26, 1882 saw the biggest tide ever known in Red River — wheat was cut and in the shock and thousands of them went down the river — all corn in the path of the flood was uprooted and great destruction other ways was wrought."

The Big Andy Church was one of the first to be built on a ridge out of reach of flood waters.



Winter sunshine casts eerie shadows on Big Andy Baptist Church — reminiscent of a pleasant era of seasons past. —Photo by Allen Booth



Wild Roses and honeysuckle trailing over these tombs break the bleakness of this somber cemetery scene located on Big Andy Ridge. Hand-carved from stone that shows but little erosion, the grave markers are appropriate monuments to the lives of the sturdy early settlers of the area. —Photo by Allen Booth



A feeling of nostalgia is experienced by Taylor Booth as he revisits Big Andy School which closed several years ago for lack of students. Mr. Booth taught his second school here with an enrollment of 75 students.

The two doors attest to the fact that the building was constructed during the era when it was "fitting and proper" for the separate entrance of gentlemen and ladies, who also sat on opposite sides of the room.

It was customary to conduct services one weekend (Saturday and Sunday) in each month, but it did not necessarily mean that the people were "unchurched" for the remainder of the month. Churches (of like faith and order) in surrounding areas set their services on weekends that did not conflict, and the brethren and sisters were faithful in attendance. Another custom peculiar to this body of believers was the "lining" of the songs. The custom probably originated from the scarcity of song books. The song leaders, usually the preacher, read a line, and the congregation sang it. This made the song service twice as long, but this was an unhurried generation and no hour was set for meeting to "break up".

The "Brothers" who attended services at churches other than their own were all given the opportunity to preach, and by the time one preacher "gave way to another" and all had delivered a message, the sun may be getting low in the West. The all-day meeting "broke" at noon for dinner which was brought from homes in the community (mostly from homes of residents who owned a wagon and fine horses) and served on the church grounds. The service was resumed when everyone had eaten.

Even though it meant for many a walk, wagon or horseback ride of four or five miles, most everyone went to church and attendance at Big Andy Church was good. No young people were invited to participate in the services, but they attended anyway. Many preferred to socialize in the shade of the giant oaks, or hang on a

rail fence that encircled the grounds and catch up on community news, but they were well behaved.

Primitive Baptists were "nothing for foolishness and not much for fun" and they tolerated no disturbances inside the church or on the premises, but even in the most strait-laced and dignified societies something unscheduled and humorous can happen.

Riding horseback was the most convenient mode of travel by men, but some women did not ride, boasting, "I can outwalk any nag," but those who did ride thought it would be very un ladylike to ride "astraddle" so side-saddles were much in vogue.

This incident happened at a neighboring church, but it served as a lesson to all present to "be mindful and in order and let their minds not stray."

The song service had begun and the first line read by the song leader was: "Jesus, Our Master, to Heaven has gone." As the congregation finished the line, the song leader glanced at the window, and announced, "There goes a horse with a side-saddle on." The congregation sang most of the line before they realized it was irrelevant.

Big Andy community was one of the first in Wolfe County to build a school house, and was fortunate to obtain good teachers. As far back as the 1820s several students from the school completed high school, attended college, and became teachers.

The community was named to honor Andy Spencer, an outstanding area leader whose tremendous proportions in size resulted in the appellation "Big Andy."

These early pioneers were proud of their heritage, their

religion, and their community, and wielded an influence felt for decades after they were gone.

"The 'ridge' is sparsely populated now. Residents are mostly retired couples who own productive farms and comfortable, modern homes. The area was improved last year with a hard-top road.

BILLY GRAHAM CRUSADE TO BE IN LEXINGTON

FRANKFORT, Ky.—The Billy Graham Crusade, featuring Rev. Graham, George Beverly Shea, and Ethel Waters, will appear at the Memorial Coliseum on the University of Kentucky campus, April 22-25.

CORRECTION

Deadline for securing 1971 license tags for automobiles is March 1 and deadline for truck tags is April 1. County Clerk Austin Hill has asked automobile owners to secure their licenses now to avoid a last minute rush.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Ida McGuire wishes to express our most sincere thanks and appreciation to all who helped in any way during the death and funeral of our loving mother. Our special thanks, to all our good neighbors, who were so kind and helpful, and stood by us in our hour of deep sorrow. Thanks also to all who brought food, prepared the grave, sent flowers, or visited with us in our home. With grateful hearts, we will remember the singers for their beautiful songs, Brother Wick Kennard for his wonderful prayer, sister Orpha Hamilton for preparing and reading the obituary, the minister, Brother Arlie Nickell, for his comforting and consoling words, and the Potter Funeral Home for their efficient service. May God richly bless you all is our earnest prayer.

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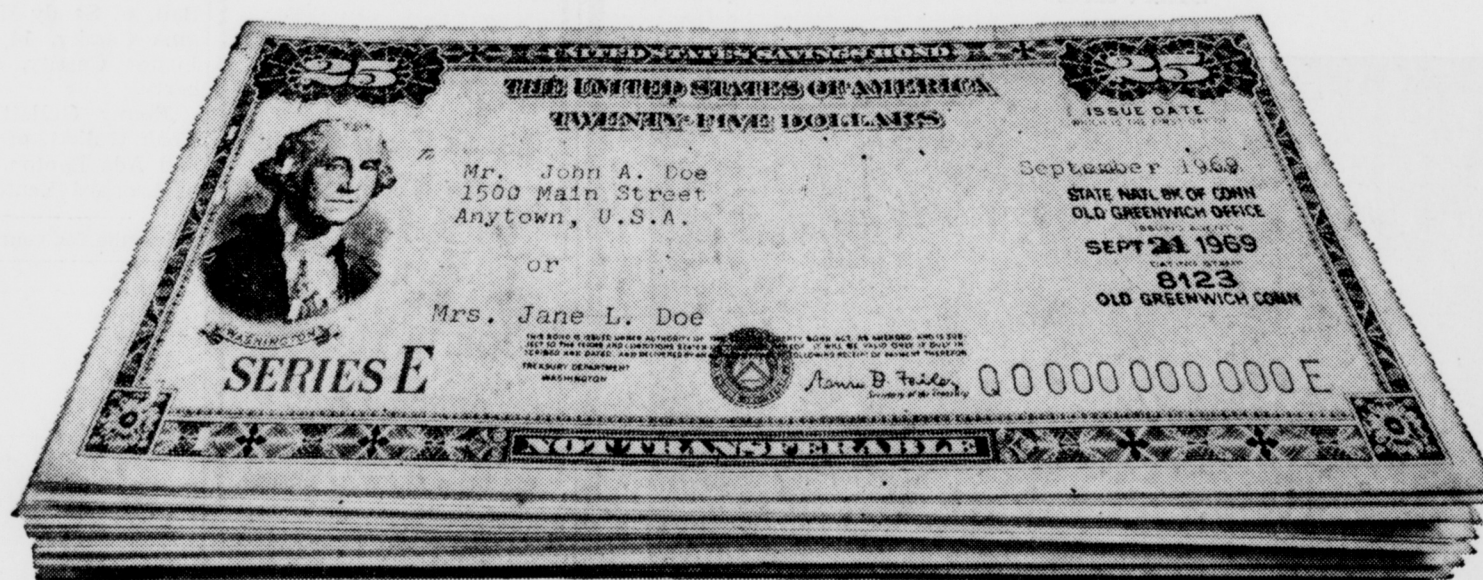
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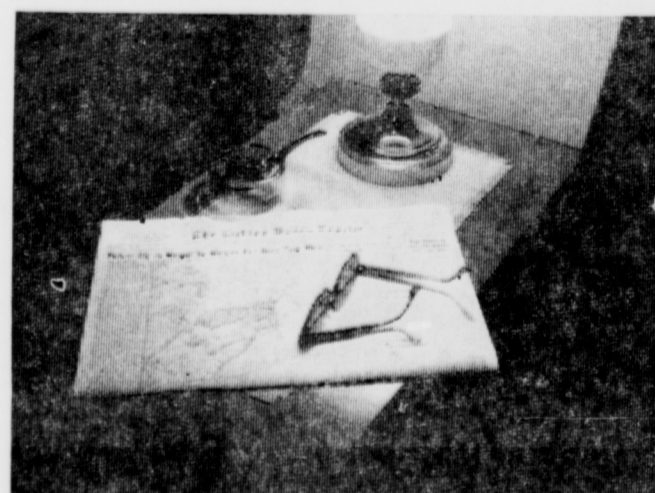
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